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Town of Chester
Annual Report
June 30, 2008
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Dedicated to:
Melissa Rosetti
Library Director

In recent times, Melissa Rosetti is a name almost synonymous with the Chester Public Library. We have all come to expect her friendly voice on the telephone or her smile and excitement to help when visiting at the Chester Public Library. In saying goodbye to us, Melissa wrote about the many "hats" she has worn during her involvement with the Library. She volunteered at age 10 passing books hand-to-hand from Stevens Memorial Hall to the new Library, and she worked her way from a sub to an Aide. She served on the Board of Trustees for seven years and held positions both as Chairman and as Treasurer. She returned as a Library Assistant Director and then was made Director in 2001. Under her direction, the Library is proud to have a new website, an in-house book club, and three thriving Summer Reading Programs to pass along. Her active engagement in enriching lives through her creativity, love of literature, and warm caring for Chester residents will be sorely missed. Our heartfelt thanks, Melissa. Our "hats" go off to *you*!

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James Hassam, Chairman
Jack Cannon, Vice Chairman
Stephen O. Landau, Selectman
Mark A. Harris, Selectman
Robert E. Brown, Selectman

In Memory of
Col. Richardson Benton
June 20, 1914 – May 29, 2008

Col. Richardson Benton was a celebrated citizen throughout his residency in Chester and beyond. He, too, wore many hats. He was Selectman, State Representative, Town benefactor, active in the College, in the Chester Congregational Baptist Church, civic ceremonies, historical preservation, Parkland Medical Center, and more. He is known affectionately to Chester residents as "the Colonel.'

Judy and the Colonel on Flag Day at the Library are shown above and on the Front Cover (courtesy of the Chester Historical Society).

"The most important thing about the Colonel is that he always showed up," says Judy Balk. Judy became a close friend of the Colonel's working with him at the Library, having early breakfast with him at the Olde Post (Marty's) when he came for different occasions. She fondly described how he wore his special straw hat with the homemade band that changed according to each activity at the Library. For Women's History, his band read "I (heart) women," Judy recalled with a smile. "He started the Memorial Flag Day Ceremonies with the Fourth Grade at the Library and each year he presented a new flag to the Library in honor of his late wife Betty."

Judy spoke of the Colonel: Besides the many public things that he did, he also worked behind the scenes - helping people who would never realize who their *"Angel"* was. He lived simply and with an unselfish heart. He subsidized the addition to the Library, a generous gift, but he also gave items such as memorial books, window blinds, bookmarks, and everything in between. He was a good neighbor to all.

Judy added: "Main thing, he taught me: to never neglect history and to show up."

Pictured here and on the Front Cover are scenes from Chester's Farewell to the Colonel (courtesy of the Tri-Town Times):

To the right:

Richard Benton receives the Flag in honor of his father, the Colonel.

In Memorial

We have lost too many good people and we wish to offer our condolences to all. We note here some of those that we are aware of and who have been, as all would be, an important part of our community. This memorial is dedicated to these good people.

Scott Rice is remembered as being kind, wonderful, knowledgeable, and dedicated to his Town.

Carl Morin was known as a big family man with a big heart and a love for being outside and "moving soil."

Roberta Blair (shown here with Aunt Edie) (photo courtesy of Barbara Dolloff) *(Also from Barbara in "Birdie's" honor: please see the poem "Hugs for Everyone" printed elsewhere in our Town Report.)*

Joan Hicks is remembered in one of her favorite roles as "Mrs. Claus" at the Town Hall.

If we have missed any, please do not take it as anything other than an oversight, and kindly let us know so that we may include them with our next report. Also, please see the page following for a partial continuance of the many good people we will miss.

In Memorial
(continued)

Sergeant Robert L. "Bud" Hall
(pictured above and left at different stages of his life)
January 1, 1919 – April 26, 2008

Served his country as a United States Marine from 1942-1946.

Sergeant "Bud" Hall was a resident of Chester for 52 years. He was a member of the Chester Congregational Baptist Church, the Chester Senior Citizens, American Legion, a past member of the Chester Lions Club, PTA, and a charter member of the 1st Marine Division Association.

Janet Snyder was known as a wonderful family person who worked with the youth community.

Pictured Left is Janet Snyder as Storytime Reader at the Chester Public Library (photo courtesy of Melissa Rosetti)

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Recipients of the Boston Post Cane

John Adams Hazelton

James Buchanan

James Owen

James M. Heath

Carlos W. Noyes

Edward West

George D. Rand

Augustus P. Morse

Robert H. Hazelton

Reverend Silas N. Adams

Luther B. Lane

Josehn Rugge

William B. Healey

Arthur N. West

Walter J. Berry

William J. Bennett

Mabel Hanson Gillie

Louise W. Crawford

Violet E. Jones

Edward R. Grosvernor

Lilly Werner

Urquhart H. Chinn

Evelyn Noyes

Alice D. Renaud

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

Board of Selectmen

James Hassam, Chair	2010
Jack Cannon, Vice Chair	2009
Mark Harris	2009
Stephen O. Landau	2011
Robert E. Brown	2011

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Barbara L. Gagnon	2011

Treasurer

Donald Parnell	2011
Emily Haswell, ***Deputy***	

Town Moderator

Michael J. Scott	2010

Road Agent

Michael Oleson	2009

Trustees of the Trust Funds

Linda Elliott, Treasurer	2011
Colin Costine	2009
Mat Stover	2010

Budget Committee

Rhonda Lamphere, Chair	2009
Thomas C. LaPorte, Vice Chair	2011
Chris Hadik	2009
Charles Heuer	2009
Steve D'Angelo	2009
Gary Chesney	2009
John Garvey	2010
Mike Romick, *ex-officio*, School Board	

Supervisors of the Checklist

Barbara Hatch, Chair	2010
Dianna Charron	2011
Leslie Packard	2014

Library Trustees

Mary Beth Ditoro, Chair	2009
Linda Heuer, Treasurer	2010
Kandace Knowlton, Secretary	2011
Peter Leccese	2009
Deborah Munson	2011

Great Hill Cemetery Trustees

Clifford Millsaps, Chair	2009
Darrell F. Quinn	2010
Joanne Millsaps	2011
John Colman	2012
John Nucci	2013

Village Cemetery Trustees

Steve Child, Chair	2011
Geoffrey Barnett	2010
Aaron Mansur	2011

Wilcomb Townsend Trustees

Genevieve Rowell	2009
Dianna Charron	2010
Barbara L. Dolloff	2011
Lisa Oleson	2012
Cynthia Tunberg	2013

ELECTED STATE REPRESENTATIVES

Gene Charron
Joseph Hagan

Town Officials

Finance Director
Angela Sherwood

Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Barbara L. Gagnon

Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Linda A. Mansur

Emergency Management Director
Stephen Tunberg

Health Officer
Darrell F. Quinn

Librarian
Melissa Rosetti, Director

School Superintendent
Vic Petzy

Welfare Officers
Barbara L. Dolloff
Marjorie A. Gould

Tree Warden
Cynthia J. Robinson

Police Department
William Burke, Chief of Police
Aaron Berube, Sergeant
Timothy Loveless, Patrolman

Part-Time Police Officers
Scott Haggart, Patrolman
Harold Gardner, Patrolman
Nelson Ortega, Patrolman
David Hargreaves, Patrolman
Anthony Maccarone, Patrolman
James Hargreaves, Patrolman
Joseph Dyrkacz, Patrolman
Linda Pomeroy, Administrative Assistant

Fire Department Officers
Richard Antoine, Fire Chief
Mike Willinsky, Deputy Chief
Greg Bolduc, Fire Captain
Rob Wolinski, Lieutenant
Kevin Wunderly, Lieutenant
Jamie Hassam, Lieutenant
Justin Oteri, Lieutenant

Fire Membership
Abigail Bellemore
Eric Bellemore
Richard Bellemore
Tim Boynton
Jim Brown
Ben Clark
Colin Costine
Mike Doucette
Eric Emerson
Phillip Gladu
Brian Gregson
Jim Hoffman
Christopher Lamy
Chris LeClair
Ken LeClair
Robert Murphy
Erin Newnan
Scott Newnan
George Pinault
Jon Robertson
Tony Rossignol
Laura Schifferdecker
Bob Schifferdecker
Kevin Scott
Michael Scott
Ted Scott
Kim Shiel
Candace Tunberg

Forest Fire Wardens
Richard Antoine, Fire Warden
Mike Willinsky, Deputy
Greg Bolduc, Deputy
Rob Wolinski, Deputy
Kevin Wunderly, Deputy
Justin Oteri, Deputy

Conservation Commission
Charles Myette, Chair
Patrick Connelly, Treasurer
Jennifer Sullivan 2010
Patrick Connelly 2010
Jean Methot, Alternate 2010
Gladys Nichols, Honorary Member

Highway Safety Committee
Chief William Burke, Police Department
Chief Rich Antoine, Fire Department
Gene Charron, State Representative
Charlotte Lister, State Representative
Jack Cannon, Selectman
Cynthia J. Robinson, Planning Board
Michael Oleson, Road Agent

Joint Loss Safety & Management Committee
Andy Higham, Chair
Rich Antoine, Vice Chair
Patricia Martin, Secretary
Barbara L. Gagnon
Thomas J. Malley
Angela Sherwood

Planning Board
Richard Snyder, Chair 2009
Evan Sederquest, Vice Chair 2009
Andrew Hadik 2010
Camilla Lockwood 2010
Michael Jung 2010
Brian Sullivan 2010
Liz Richter, Alternate
Cynthia J. Robinson, Planning Coordinator
Robert Brown, *ex-officio*, Board of Selectmen

Public Access Community Television Committee (PACT)
Hilary Hall, Chair
Bob Grimm, Co-Chair
Dick Godfrey
Marge Godfrey
Lenny Stein

Recreation Commission
Ed Karjala, Chairman
Bill Lonergan, Vice Chair
Linda Royce
Bill Chirgwin
Kim Cremin
Corinna Reishus
Steve Moltenbrey, Rec. Coordinator

Recycling & Solid Waste Committee
Andrew Hadik
Bonnie Healey
Lloyd Healey
Barbara King
Stephen O. Landau, Selectman Liaison

Regional Planning Commissioners to Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission
Jean G. Methot
Cynthia J. Robinson

Road Naming Advisory Committee
Judith Balk, Chair
Ann Parnell, Vice Chair
Colin Costine
Greg Lowell
John Colman, *ex-officio*
Camilla Lockwood,
Planning Board Liaison

Spring Hill Farm Trustees
Brad Wamsley, Chair & Treasurer
Chuck Myette, Cons. Comm. Rep.
Julia Webb
Stephen O. Landau, Selectman Rep

Transfer Station
Lloyd Healey, Recycling Coordinator
Bonnie Healey, Manager
Richard Czarnec, Compactor Operator
Stephen O. Landau, Selectman Liaison

Wason Pond Commission
Baron Richardson, Chairman (Cons.)
Chuck Myette (Conservation)
Bill Chirgwin (Recreation)
Bill Lonergen (Recreation)
Brad Wamsley (Member at Large)
Jean Methot (Alternate)
George Noyes (Chester Seniors)
Chris Hadik (Budget Committee)

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Jean Methot, Chair	2010
Kevin Scott	2009
Billie Maloney, Vice Chair	2009
Richard Snyder, Planning Board Rep.	2010
Charlotte Lister, Alternate	2009
Dr. Joseph Hagan, Alternate	2010

Janet Boyden, Administrative Assistant

Town of Chester
2009-2010 Holiday Listings

Monday, May 25, 2009	Memorial Day Observed
Friday, July 3, 2009	Independence Day
Monday, September 7, 2009	Labor Day
Monday, October 12, 2009	Columbus Day
Wednesday, November 11, 2009	Veterans Day
Thursday, November 26, 2009	Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 27, 2009	Day after Thanksgiving
Friday, December 25, 2009	Christmas Day
Friday, January 1, 2010	New Year's Day
Monday, January 18, 2010	Martin Luther King, Jr. Civ. Rights Day
Monday, February 15, 2010	President's Day

Town of Chester
Official Town Election
May 13th – 14th, 2008

The Town of Chester election for officers and zoning amendments was held on Tuesday, May 13th, 2008. The election was held at the Chester Multi-Purpose Room. The polls were opened at 8:00am. Moderator Michael Scott officially closed the polls at 7:00pm.

Article #1: To choose the necessary Town Officials for the ensuing year.
The results of the election were as follows:

TOWN

Board of Selectmen for 3 years:
(Vote for not more than 2)

Paul Krafton	-	225
Stephen O Landau	-	314 *
Michael Weider	-	235
Robert Brown	-	388 *
Joseph Castricone	-	136

Town Clerk/Tax Collector for 3 years:
(Vote for not more than 1)

Barbara L Gagnon	-	640 *

Town Moderator for 2 years:
(Vote for not more than 1)

Michael Scott	-	584 *

Town Treasurer for 3 years:
(Vote for not more than 1)

Donald Parnell	-	548 *

Library Trustee for 3 years:
(Vote for not more than 2)

Kandace Knowlton	-	513 *
Deborah Munson	-	508 *

Budget Committee Member for 3 years:
(Vote for not more than 3)

Thomas LaPorte	-	477 *
Richard Bellemore (write-in)	-	6
Andrew Hadik (write-in)	-	3

The citizens with write-in votes should contact Moderator Scott to confirm if they would like to take the open positions.

Supervisor of the Checklist for 6 years:
(Vote for not more than 1)

Leslie Packard (write-in)	-	*

Great Hill Cemetery Trustee for 5 years:
(Vote for not more than 1)

John Nucci	-	564 *

Great Hill Cemetery Trustee for 3 years:
(Vote for not more than 1)

John Colman (write-in)	-	17

The citizen with write-in votes should contact Moderator Scott to confirm if he would like to take the open position.

Village Cemetery Trustee for 3 years:
(Vote for not more than 1)

Aaron Mansur	-	521 *

Wilcomb Townsend Trustee for 5 years:
(Vote for not more than 1)

Cynthia Tunberg	-	590 *

Article #2: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #1** as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?
Amend: Amend the title of the current Table 2 to read Setbacks and No Clearing Buffer Zones, create a section in Table 2 for clearing of driveways and to add footnotes referencing where the Exeter River is described and where No Clearing Buffer is defined.
Yes 327 / No 291 **Article #2 carries.**

Article #3: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #2** as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?
Amend: Adopt Article 13 – Growth Management with amendments to section 13.3 Maximum Sustainable Growth to allow for a more timely determination of the maximum growth rate.
Yes 418 / No 200 **Article #3 carries.**

Article #4: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #3** as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?
Amend: Amend section 4.8 – Farming by adding a new Subsection 4,8.2 - Best Management Practices to read as follows: "4.8.2.1 – Livestock shall not be penned, tied, or housed within a one hundred (100) foot protective radius around a residential well nor shall manure be stored within such a radius."
Yes: 418 / No 233 **Article #4 carries.**

Article #5: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #4** as proposed by petition of the voters for the town to amend Table 2 as follows?

"Table 2, Setbacks, No Cut and No Clearing Zones" so that all Exeter River setbacks and buffer requirements are the same as those currently required for Wetlands and Ponds, Creeks and Streams. Adoption of this amendment will establish consistency for setbacks and buffers applicable to all designated sensitive and prime wetlands. [The planning board does not recommend adoption and disapproves of this zoning amendment.]
Yes: 369 / No: 274 **Article #5 carries.**

At this point Moderator Michael Scott turned control of the meeting over to School Moderator Kevin Scott, who then opened the School portion of the meeting.

SCHOOL

School Board Member for 3 years:
(Vote for not more than 2)
Michael Romick - 484 *
Matthew Stover - 494 *

School Board Member for 2 years:
(Vote for not more than 1)
Catherine Treanor - 529 *

School Moderator for 1 year:
(Vote for not more than 1)
Kevin Scott - 519 *

School Clerk for 1 year:
(Vote for not more than 1)
Robert Grimm - 529 *

School Treasurer for 1 year:
(Vote for not more than 1)
Emily Haswell - 555

Question #1: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Chester School District on the second Tuesday of March? 3/5 votes required.
Yes 351 / No 229 **Question #1 carries.**

School Moderator Kevin Scott closed the School portion of the meeting.

The Board of Selectmen introduced the new Boston Post Cane holder, Alice Renaud, who made a few brief remarks.

Moderator Michael Scott resumed control of the Meeting.

Board of Selectmen Chair Michael Weider gave a brief overview of this year's proposed Budget. The entire proposed budget is approximately $3.4M, approximately $1.2M of which is for a roadwork bond. The tax rate is estimated to increase by $3.94 per thousand. If the roadwork bond fails to pass, all warrant articles could be voted in without violating the 10% rule.

Budget Committee Chair Rhonda Lamphere spoke on behalf of the Budget Committee. She asked the citizens to ask themselves if they needed, and could afford, what they voted for. The $3.94 tax rate increase is due to the increase in the School District budget. The Budget Committee removed some items from the proposed budget and turned them into Warrant Articles. They have also requested paper ballots be used on certain questions.

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere moved that Article #s 25, 24, 27, 28, and 29 be taken out of order, and in that order, after Article #6 had been debated and voting began, as the voting for Article #6 must remain open for one hour and no other financial articles could be voted on until the results were known. Article #s 25, 24, 27, 28, and 29 have no financial impact on the town and could be debated and voted upon before the results Article #6 were determined. The motion was seconded; the question was called. It was carried by voice vote; Article #s 25, 24, 27, 28, and 29 will be taken out of order, in that order.

Article #6: Shall the Town of Chester vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,430,000 (One Million Four Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars) (Gross Budget) for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of town roads, approximately 6/10 of a mile of East Derry Road, and for work on Jennifer Drive, Holman Way, Parker Road, and Rand Drive, and authorize the issuance of not more than $1,430,000 of bonds of notes in accordance with the provision of Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33), and authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and further, authorize the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend grants for this project that may be available, and finally to raise and appropriate the additional sum of $9,000 (NH Bond Bank) plus $4,000 for the documentation and issuance costs for the

bond and authorize the Selectmen to take any other action necessary to carry out this vote?
(Tax Impact 0.03 cents)
(2/3 ballot vote required)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends 6-0)

Article #6 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Budget Committee Member Chris Hadik stated that the 3¢ tax impact was the cost to obtai n the bond, not the cost of the bond itself, which would not be part of the upcoming year's budget. The estimated tax impact for the bond itself would be 30¢ per thousand, beginning with next year's budget.

Road Agent Michael Oleson stated that Dubois & King had been hired to do a road assessment, and that these particular roads had been chosen as those most in need of work, and had originally been submitted as separate warrant articles. He was available to answer any questions about the roads.

Charlotte Lister asked Road Agent Oleson if the unfinished roads from the previous bond that still needed a wear coat would be worked on with this money. Road Agent Oleson stated that they would not.

Rob Brown asked about the interest rate expected for this bond. Interim Finance Manager Sheri Rockburn stated that the current average bond loan rate is approximately 4%. She clarified that during the first year of a bond, no payments of principal or interest are made, and that is why the tax impact is 3¢ rather than the 30¢ expected next year. She also stated that payments remain static from year to year.

Board of Selectmen Chair Michael Weider stated that if all of the referenced roads had been on the Warrant as separate articles rather than combined into a bond, the tax rate would be raised for the current year only for work on roads that would last many years.

Rob Brown stated that there had been a bond in 2004 when he was Road Agent, and that work was never finished on those roads. He stated that Road Agent Oleson had not done his homework and that other roads needed work more than the ones that were on the current bond.

Road Agent Oleson responded that the Town Engineers needed to determine what the specific problems were on the roads that Mr. Brown had never finished, and until that was done, it was financially imprudent to pay today's asphalt prices to put a wear coat on them that might not resolve the problems.

The question was called; a paper ballot was used. The ballot box remained open for one hour. **Yes 98 / No 101** **Article #6 fails.**

Article #25: Petition to rescind the adoption of Budget Committee.

The individuals whose signatures appear below support a Warrant Article to be placed on the Ballot for the Chester Town Meeting in May 2008 to rescind the Warrant Article to adopt a Budget Committee and revert the committee status back to that of an Advisory Board pursuant to RSA 32:14V. If passed, this article would take effect May 2009.

Article #25 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Kari Lerner spoke as a co-petitioner. She stated her opinion that local government was out of balance, with five on the board of selectmen, five on the school board, and nine on the Budget Committee; that the Budget Committee added a level of bureaucracy that was not needed in a small town; that it was an additional workload on Department Heads who needed to present and justify their budgets to the Budget Committee. She stated that Department budgets were not padded, and that she didn't want the final word on public safety to be with the Budget Committee.

Charlotte Lister stated that she didn't believe the size of the Budget Committee to be the problem; rather, the real issue was that they had powers as a committee that they did not have as an Advisory Board. She would like the citizens to decide for themselves whether that was good or bad.

Rob Brown stated that the newspaper had telephoned him for his opinion on the matter and that he was in favor of returning the Committee to Advisory Board status. He stated that when he was Road Agent, the Budget Committee had cut his budget two years in a row, but now that Michael Oleson was Road Agent, they had increased his budget. He believes that it was personal and that the Department Heads and Board of Selectmen should have the final say on all budget matters.

Maureen Lein stated that an elected committee was the only tool to protect against raised taxes; Al Hamel stated that an elected committee was the way to protect interest.

Rob Brown stated that since the Budget Committee became a committee rather than an advisory board, they had suggested that the Town hire a finance director, which was another layer of bureaucracy. He was in favor of returning them to an advisory board.

Joe Castricone stated that being on the Budget Committee was a thankless job, but that the Budget Committee were the ones that were running the Town, and it should be the Board of Selectmen. He recommends returning the Committee to an Advisory Board.

Budget Committee Member Mat Stover disagreed, stating that it was not the Budget Committee who decided what should be spent – it was the citizens of Chester. He stated that the Budget Committee was a great improvement over the Advisory Board, citing

figures showing that prior financials were not good, and that nobody had been held to standards. He cited the previous road bond of 2004 as an example.

Board of Selectmen Chair Weider stated that he had sat on the Budget Committee as an ex-officio member, and that although it needed improvement, it added value to the Town. He stated that the Board of Selectmen had too much to do without the assistance of the Budget Committee.

Andrew Hadik stated his preference for an elected committee rather than an appointed advisory board. He expects that Department Heads will request an increase in their budgets, and that in turn Department Heads should expect to justify their requests. He cited the School Board meeting as one that had moved quickly, as the Department Heads had already justified all of their requests. In the end it is up to the citizens of Chester to decide whether or not they need it and can afford the expenditures.

Dianna Charron stated that she had been chair of the Budget Advisory Board many years ago, and that she preferred it now. She stated that Department Heads needed to be held accountable.

Chuck Plum stated that Andrew Hadik made sense; that an increasing tax rate was pricing people out of their homes. He believes that the School Board meeting went quickly because nobody in Town was aware of it.

Carrie Hadik stated that she appreciated the work of the Budget Committee, and that people should remember that with an elected Budget Committee, the 10% budget cap applies; with an appointed Advisory Board, the sky was the limit.

Al Lerner, also a co-petitioner, stated that the petition was not intended to limit people's input, but that he wanted power returned to the Board of Selectmen.

Budget Committee Vice-Chair Tom LaPorte stated that the Budget Committee tried not to get involved in the rumor mill, but only to advise on the Town's finances. He addressed a recent article in the Tri-Town Times. He stated that the tax rate used to increase by more than 10% every year; now it's 5% or less. He discusses the benefits and accomplishments of the Budget Committee, warned that its abolition might cost the Town productivity and oversight, and suggested a possible return to the previous double digit tax rate increases. He also pointed out that if Article 26, which calls for the reduction of the Budget Committee to three people, carries, only two people would constitute a quorum.

Gene Charron advised that the Town keep the elected Budget Committee, citing the importance of accountability. He also suggested that citizens might want to stop talking to the media about the Town's business.

The question was called; a paper ballot was used. The ballot box remained open for one hour. **Yes 40 / No 153 Article #25 fails.**

At this point, the Board of Selectmen took control of the meeting in order to present this year's awards.

The Employee of the Year was presented to Fire Chief Rich Antoine.
The Part-Time Employee of the Year award was presented to Police Officer Scott Haggart.
The Volunteers of the Year award was presented to Marge and Dick Godfrey.
A 25 Year Service Award was presented to Police Sergeant Leonard Leclair.
An award was presented to Board of Selectmen Administrative Assistant Pat Martin.
An award was presented to outgoing Board of Selectmen Chair Michael Weider.
A Windsor chair has been purchased for the historical society to honor Mrs. Evelyn Noyes.
The names of all of the Town's previous Selectmen were read, and each was presented with a Town Seal pin.

At the conclusion of this section, Moderator Michael Scott again took control of the Meeting.

Article #24: Shall the Town of Chester vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a lease of a portion of Town-owned land (Tax Lot 17-7) to Gary and Sharon Welch of 17 Haverhill Road, Chester, New Hampshire, 03036 for an area approximately 60 feet by 60 feet along the edge of Tax Map Lot 17-6 on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen determine are in the best interest of the Town.
(If passed, this will have no tax impact.)

Article #24 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Barbara Rice stated that the Board of Selectmen had no right to lease conservation land to a private citizen, and that the land in question was on a Conservation Easement. The Welches evidently own landlocked property.

Charlotte Lister asked if this is for the homeowners' driveway; Selectman Hassam replied that it was. She stated that that particular land was a class 6 road, and that she had prepared an amendment: "to allow the use of town road for a driveway. Road will remain town property.". The amendment was moved to the floor and seconded.

Kevin Scott stated that Ms. Lister was in error; that the land in question was actually to the right of the homeowners' driveway, and that it was insignificant to the conservation land, as people currently park on it. He suggested that the amendment be defeated.

Ms. Lister asked that her amendment be withdrawn; the request was moved, seconded, and the question was called. The amendment was withdrawn, and the article returned to its original state.

Colin Costine stated that the previous owner of the property had not owned a car, and as such there had not been a driveway. When the Welches bought the property, they needed that portion of land to park their car, and the Town had been leasing it to them for $1 a month since that time. He would like to know why this was changing.

Selectman Hassam stated that nothing was changing, but the lease itself needed to be voted upon by the Town.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #24 carries.**

Article #27: Submitted by Citizens' Petition. To grant the following easement located at what is commonly referred to as Spollett's General Store, solely for the purposes of ingress and egress, to Mary Gesel of said Town of Chester:

Beginning at a point on the southerly side of Haverhill Road N 49°06'24"E 14.26' fro9m an Iron Pipe found down 2", said point being the southwest corner of the herein described easement, thence N 49°06'24" and along the southerly side of the before mentioned Haverhill Road to a point S 49°06'24" W 212.72' from a 1" iron pipe found, thence;

N 32°56'45" W 1.33 to a point, thence;
S 57°15'45" W 18.60' to a point, thence;
S 32°15'36" E 4.00' to the point of beginning.

Said parcel being 49 square feet and being more fully shown as "easement area" on a plan entitled "Easement Plan Prepared for & Land of Mary A. Gesel & Town of Chester, 2 Haverhill Road, Chester N.H." dated June 7, 2007.

Article #27 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Jerome and Justin Gesel spoke on behalf of the petition. They stated that the steps to Spollett's store are on Town Owned Land.

Board of Selectmen Chairman Michael Weider clarified the point that the airlock added to the store in previous years had been constructed by the Gesels on town owned property, and that granting them an easement meant that they could subdivide and sell the property. The Board of Selectmen had no authority to grant the easement alone.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #27 carries.**

Article #28: Submitted by Citizens Petition. To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our state senator and

our Governor: Resolved: We the citizens of Chester, New Hampshire, believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property taxes. We call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to reject the "Pledge", have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes.

Camilla Lockwood spoke as the petitioner. She stated that she wanted to release lawmakers from the pledge and to have them consider all other forms of taxes.

Gene Charron stated that he had not taken the pledge.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the negative. **Article #28 fails.**

Article #29: To see f the Town will vote to change an existing full time fire fighter position to a full time working Chief position by combining the full time salary budget line item with the Chief's stipend budget line item into one full time salary budget line item.
(If passed, this will have no tax impact)

Board of Selectmen Chair Michael Weider moved that Article #29 be tabled. Selectman Jack Cannon explained that it was merely housekeeping to recognize Fire Chief Richard Antoine as Fire Chief. The motion was seconded; the question was called. It was carried by voice vote; **Article #29 was tabled.**

Article #7: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of three million, four hundred forty four thousand, eight hundred ninety eight dollars ($3,444,898) for the support of the Town government for the payment of salaries and for the payment of statutory obligations of the Town. This article does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles.
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends)

		Budget Committee Recommend $	Selectmen Recommend $
4100	General Government	1,001,757	1,001,757
4200	Public Safety	849,258	849,258
4300	Highway, Streets, Bridges and Sanitation	667,139	667,139
4400	Health & Welfare	38,320	38,320
4500	Culture & Recreation	177,518	177,518
4600	Conservation & Economic Development	7,382	7,382
4700	Debt Service	703,524	703,524
4900	Capital Outlay	0	0
	Total Appropriation	$3,444,898	$3,444,898

Article #7 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Chuck Plum reiterated his previous statement that a rising tax rate was pricing people out of their homes.

The question was called; the voice vote was inconclusive. A show of hands was requested; the hand vote was in the affirmative. **Article #7 carries.**

Article #8: Shall the Town of Chester vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $33,483.40 for the purchase of a police cruiser and an in-car camera for the Police Department?
(Tax Impact 0.06 cents)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends 7-0)

Budget Committee Member Chris Hadik gave a brief explanation as to why Article #s 8, 9, and 10 were broken out of the budget rather than included in it. Originally the request had been to lease three vehicles; it was now to purchase two. He stated that the vehicles were a necessity for the Town.

Joe Castricone asked if the current cruiser problem had been solved; Selectman Cannon explained what work had been done to it.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #8 carries.**

Article #9: Shall the Town of Chester vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $37,853.00 for the purchase of a Ford Expedition and an in-car camera for the Police Department?
(Tax Impact 0.07 cents)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends 7-0)

Article #9 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Lonny Rutledge asked why the Police Department needed to purchase a large gas guzzling vehicle.

Budget Committee Vice-Chair LaPorte stated that he had asked Police Chief Burke this question, and the answer was that it was a better quality vehicle that would last longer, and was not intended to be a daily driver. It was needed for off road travel, inclement weather, and the transportation of larger groups of personnel and equipment.

Judy Cropper stated that she had sold Fords previously and suggested an Explorer rather than an Expedition, as it got better gas mileage – 15mpg rather than 9mpg. Budget Committee Vice-Chair LaPorte disputed the difference in mileage. Al Hamel asked how

much the Police Department was paying for gasoline at the present time – market price, or without taxes. Police Chief Burke responded that they were not paying taxes on their gasoline.

Gene Charron expressed concern that these vehicles were being bought via a warrant article rather than via a CIP (Capital Improvement Program). Board of Selectmen Chairman Weider stated that the Town was looking into funding a CIP.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #9 carries.**

Article #10: Shall the Town of Chester vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,000.00 to purchase two (2) in-car cameras for the Police Department and authorize the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend a 50% matching grant for this purpose, provided further that this article be null and void and of no effect if a grant for the purchase of the cameras is not received.
(Tax Impact 0.02 cents)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends 6-0)

Article #10 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #10 carries.**

Article #11: Shall the Town of Chester vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $275,000.00 for the repair and reconstruction of the Wason Pond Dam in order to satisfy the requirements identified by the Dam Safety Engineer of the State of New Hampshire, Department of Environmental Services?
(Tax Impact 0.49 cents)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend 1-6)

Article #11 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Selectman Stephen Landau stated that the repair plan was prepared and that permitting needed to begin. Since the highway bond warrant article had been defeated, he would like this article to pass; had the highway bond article passed, he would have tabled this article.

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere moved to amend the article by adding the word "complete" between 'the' and 'repair', so that the article would read:

Shall the Town of Chester vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $275,000.00 for the complete repair and reconstruction of the Wason Pond Dam in order to satisfy the requirements identified by the Dam Safety Engineer of the State of New Hampshire, Department of Environmental Services?

The amendment was seconded.

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere stated that the original price quoted for repair had been $350,000; since $75,000 had been appropriated last year, this $275,000 should be enough to finish the work. She did not want this matter to be brought up every year.

Selectman Landau clarified that the $75,000 appropriated last year had been for the plan and permitting. He outlined the expected time frame for the run-up to the repairs, and stated that repairs may not actually begin until May of 2009. He is concerned that not appropriating this sum would send a message to the Dam Bureau that the Town was not acting in good faith and had no intention of repairing the dam. He would have preferred the funds come from a capital reserve, but it was too late for that.

Chuck Myette stated that as the repairs would be going out to bid, latitude in the amount was needed.

Andrew Hadik stated that he wanted the dam repaired, but is concerned that errors could occur in the construction, and wants assurance of onsite engineering oversight and management.

Board of Selectmen Chair Weider stated that the contract with Dubois and King contained provisions for the oversight and management.

The question was called as to the Amendment; the voice vote was in the negative. **The Amendment to Article #11 fails** and the wording remains that originally printed on the Warrant.

Budget Committee Member Chuck Heuer started that the Budget Committee was not recommending passage of the article due to the fact that the quote was now eleven (11) months old.

Chuck Myette stated that the dam needed to be repaired, and that it could not wait another year. The next storm might destroy it completely.

Board of Selectmen Chair Weider stated that the Town would be asking for another bond in next year's budget, and that right now construction companies were looking for work.

Judy Cropper stated that she had worked on dams previously and that Grace Levergood was always willing to work closely with Towns. She asked why the boards on the dam had been pulled out. She asked if there had been any discussion about constructing any other style of dam.

Selectman Landau stated that the boards had been removed and left out by the order of Grace Levergood, and that although various styles of dams had been considered, this was the style preferred by Ms. Levergood.

Diana Charron asked if this sum would violate the 10% rule, and was informed that it would not. Moderator Michael Scott reiterated that as the Highway Bond had failed, all of the remaining Warrant Articles could pass without violating the 10% rule.

Gene Charron asked why the Town was asking for the $275,000 now, since the work wouldn't actually begin until May 2009, and would the State accept a smaller sum being appropriated at this time. Selectman Landau stated that unfortunately the Town cannot put the work out to bid without the money.

Al Hamel asked for an explanation of the problems with the dam. Selectman Landau explained that after two major flooding events, the earthen wall had been breached. The surface of the dam is 20'; building a concrete box in front of it will increase the size of the spillway and take pressure off of the existing dam.

David Scott asked if the Town was having second thoughts, and what would it cost to remove the dam entirely? Board of Selectmen Chair Weider stated that that cost would be approximately $150,000.

Andrew Hadik stated that if the dam were to go out, you would never be able to put it back.

Rob Brown stated his opinion that the Town had showed intent to repair by appropriating the $75,000 last year, and would like this made into a bond next year.

Dan Batting asked if the repair was not funded, would the State require that the dam be removed. Selectman Landau did not know for certain, but knows that no work can be bid on or done without the money being appropriated.

Budget Committee Member Chris Hadik stated that he is in favor of the dam repair, but that this new information means that the work can be put off until next year. He believes the article should be tabled.

Budget Committee Vice-Chair LaPorte stated that he was against the article due to a lack of real written estimates. He suggested coming to some sort of compromise that would send a show of good faith to Concord.

The question was called; the voice vote was inconclusive. A show of hands was requested; this was also inconclusive. Hands were counted.

Yes: 64 / No 71 **Article #11 fails.**

Article #12: Shall the Town of Chester vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $61,100.00 for the purpose of hiring one full-time police officer, said sum to include salary, benefits, and full uniform and equipment?
(Tax Impact 0.11 cents)
(Selectmen do not recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend 0-7)

Article #12 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Selectman Cannon stated that the State Average is 1.8 police officers per 1000 residents, so the Town of Chester should have eight police officers; it has three.

A petition was received with the required five signatures to have this article decided by a paper ballot.

Yes: 35 / No 91 **Article #12 fails.**

Article #13: Shall the Town of Chester vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $120,000.00 for engineering plans and specifications for the reconstruction and repair of Lane Road and Fremont road?
(Tax Impact 0.22 cents)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend 2-4)

Article #13 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Road Agent Oleson stated that he had multiple Requests for Action on these particular roads, and the requested funds were for engineering work to determine exactly what work is needed and how to proceed.

Rob Brown asked what the Town would get for the funds.

Road Agent Oleson repeated that the Town would get plans and specifications in order to determine what work was needed.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the negative. **Article #13 fails.**

Article #14: Shall the Town of Chester vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $85,000.00 (Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Winter Road Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established in 2006 for the purpose of sanding, salting, plowing and compensating workers for winter maintenance of roads in the Town of Chester?
(Tax Impact 0.16 cents)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends 6-1)

Article #14 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Selectman Weider stated that these funds were to replenish the Winter Maintenance Fund, which had been spent down this past winter. These funds were only to be used for winter maintenance.

Budget Committee Vice-Chair LaPorte voiced his support for this Warrant Article, stating that it worked well.

Rob Brown again stated that the Road Agent's budget had been raised this year, and asked if the entire Winter Maintenance Fund had been spent this year; Chairman Weider stated that it had, and then some.

Road Agent Oleson pointed out that all prices had increased, and that since the Highway budget had been cut for two years in a row, it was only now getting back to the level it should be at.

Budget Committee Member Mat Stover stated that the Budget Committee, Board of Selectmen, and Road Agent were planning for the future, not dwelling on the past.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #14 carries.**

Article #15: Shall the Town of Chester vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the Fremont Road Bridge Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of funding repairs and renovations to the Fremont Road bridge and raise and appropriate the sum of $20,000.00 from taxation to be placed in this fund, and further raise and appropriate the additional sum of $68,500 to be placed in this fund with said amount to come from fund balance (surplus) and not raised by additional taxation (the amount of surplus is equivalent to the encumbered appropriations for the Fremont Road Bridge made at the 2001 and 2005 town meeting) and further appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from this Fund?
(Tax Impact 0.04 cents)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends 6-0)

Article #15 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Andrew Hadik wished to clarify exactly which bridge on Fremont Road this article referred to.

Road Agent Oleson stated that it was the bridge over Towle Road. He stated that this $88,500 was intended to be used with an 80/20 State of NH/Town of Chester match.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #15 carries.**

Article #16: Shall the Town of Chester vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $9,400.00 for the purpose of maintenance and repairs to the Spring Hill Farm and Buildings?
(Tax Impact 0.02 cents)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend 2-5)

Article #16 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Chuck Myette stated that the maintenance of Spring Hill Farm and its buildings had previously been taken care of by the Town maintenance crew. As this was no longer the case, funds were needed.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #16 carries.**

Article #17: Shall the Town of Chester vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding the acquisition of equipment and vehicles to be known as the Equipment and Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund and further raise and appropriate the sum of $60,045 to be placed in this fund and further to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend this fund. (This sum represents the CIP recommended appropriation of $16,545 for cruiser replacement at the Police Department, $17,500 for a generator at the fire department and $26,000 for a rescue truck for the fire department.
(Majority vote required)
(Tax Impact 0.11 cents)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends 7-0)

Article #17 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere stated that a Capital Reserve Fund was an excellent instrument for future planning. This Warrant Article was for half the price of a cruiser and generator, and 1/6 the price of a rescue truck.

Scott St Clair stated that there was already $10,000 in an offsite improvement fund for a generator; could this Warrant Article be reduced?

Board of Selectmen Chair Weider stated that the money could remain in the fund and the Town would ask for less next year.

Budget Committee Member Chris Hadik asked if more could be spent than requested on a particular item if there was money in the fund. Board of Selectmen Chair Weider answered that that was the case; items in the fund could come and go, but the funds would always be spent on equipment and vehicles.

Budget Committee Member Chris Hadik stated that he would like a line added to the Warrant Article stating that the Board of Selectmen needs to return to the Legislative Body to approve any expenditures. Budget Committee Chair Lamphere moved that the Article be amended to remove the words "and further to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend this fund". The amendment was seconded, and now reads:

Shall the Town of Chester vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding the acquisition of equipment and vehicles to be known as the Equipment and Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund and further raise and appropriate the sum of $60,045 to be placed in this fund. (This sum represents the CIP recommended appropriation of $16,545 for cruiser replacement at the Police Department, $17,500 for a generator at the fire department and $26,000 for a rescue truck for the fire department.

Board of Selectmen Chair Weider stated that a CIP is a living document, and there are rules in place about how funds can be spent. Budget Committee Member Hadik countered that the Board of Selectmen could spend the funds in any way they wished, but he wanted the Legislative Body to have the final say. Interim Finance Manager Sheri Rockburn stated that according to the Department of Revenue, funds can only be spent on the specified items.

The question was called as to the amendment; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **The Amendment to Article #17 carries.**

Selectman Cannon asked Attorney Graham if the amendment had caused limits to be placed on the spending; Attorney Graham stated that there had not, as long as the Legislative Body was consulted.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #17 carries.**

Article #18: Shall the Town of Chester vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of renovating, upgrading, improving and adding on to Town buildings to be known as the Building Improvement and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund and raise and appropriate the sum of $24,107 to be placed in this fund and to name the Selectmen as agents to expend the fund. (This sum represents the CIP recommended appropriation for a 3-bay garage at the police station.)
(Majority vote required.)
(Tax Impact 0.05 cents)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend 1-6)

Article #18 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere stated that the Budget Committee does not support a new building at the Police Department.

Joseph Castricone moved that this article be amended similarly to the previous one; to wit, that the words "and to name the Selectmen as agents to expend the fund" be removed. The amendment was seconded, and now reads:

Shall the Town of Chester vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of renovating, upgrading, improving and adding on to Town buildings to be known as the Building Improvement and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund and raise and appropriate the sum of $24,107 to be placed in this fund. (This sum represents the CIP recommended appropriation for a 3-bay garage at the police station.)

The question was called as to the amendment; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **The Amendment to Article #18 carries.**

Board of Selectmen Chair Weider stated that any citizen could see the CIP, which was available for perusal in the Planning Office. This was simply planning for future expenditures.

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere stated that she was not against a CIP, and moved that the article be amended to change the requested sum from $24,107 to $1. The amendment was seconded, and now reads:

Shall the Town of Chester vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of renovating, upgrading, improving and adding on to Town buildings to be known as the Building Improvement and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund and raise and appropriate the sum of $1 to be placed in this fund. (This sum represents the CIP recommended appropriation for a 3-bay garage at the police station.)

Budget Committee Vice-Chair LaPorte urged the Town to support this second amendment.

Linda Elliot stated that no investment broker would open an account for $1, and suggested the number be at least $100.

The question was called as to the second amendment; the voice vote was in the negative. **The Second Amendment to Article #18 fails.** The article now reads:

Shall the Town of Chester vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of renovating, upgrading, improving and adding on to Town buildings to be known as the Building Improvement and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund and raise and appropriate the sum of $24,107 to be placed in this fund. (This sum represents the CIP recommended appropriation for a 3-bay garage at the police station.)

The question was called; the voice vote was inconclusive. A show of hands was requested; the hand vote was in the negative. **Article #18 fails.**

The Board of Selectmen challenged the hand vote, and hands were once again raised. The hand vote was confirmed to be in the negative; **Article #18 again fails.**

Dennis Maloney moved to reconsider the Article; he would like to amend the sum requested to $5,000. The motion was seconded and the question was called. The voice vote was inconclusive; a show of hands was requested. The hand vote was inconclusive, and hands were once again raised and counted.

Yes: 45 / No 38 Article #18 will be reconsidered.

Dennis Maloney moved to reduce the sum requested from $24,107 to $5,000. The motion was seconded, and the article now reads:

Shall the Town of Chester vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of renovating, upgrading, improving and adding on to Town buildings to be known as the Building Improvement and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund and raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 to be placed in this fund. (This sum represents the CIP recommended appropriation for a 3-bay garage at the police station.)

The question was called as to the third amendment; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **The Third Amendment to Article #18 carries.** The article now reads:

Shall the Town of Chester vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of renovating, upgrading, improving and adding on to Town buildings to be known as the Building Improvement and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund and raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 to be placed in this fund. (This sum represents the CIP recommended appropriation for a 3-bay garage at the police station.)

The question was called as to the article; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #18 carries.**

Article #19: Shall the Town of Chester adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict 100% of the revenue from highway block grants for highway expenditures. Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the highway special revenue fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote of the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of the revenue.
(Majority vote required)
(If passed, this will have no tax impact)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend 0-6)

Article #19 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Budget Committee Member John Garvey stated that the Budget Committee does not support this article. They believe that the Highway Department is adequately funded and that this Article will raise the tax rate, as block grant money will not be in the general fund.

A citizen asked for a definition of a block grant. Board of Selectmen Chair Weider explained what it was, and stated that in his opinion there was no fat in the Highway Budget, and that highway money should be spent on the roads.

Rob Brown stated his opinion that block grant monies are from the fuel tax, and that approving this article would make the highway budget too large.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the negative. **Article #19 fails.**

Article #20: Shall the Town of Chester, if Article 19 is adopted, raise and appropriate the sum of $108,834 for the purpose of improving, reconstructing, and paving roadways in the Town of Chester. Said funds to be withdrawn from the special revenue fund established as the Highway Special Revenue Fund in Article 19 above which funds are separate from the general fund.
(Tax impact 0.20 cents)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend 0-6)

Rob Brown moved to table this Article, as Article 19 had failed. The motion was seconded.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #20 is tabled.**

Article #21: To see if the people of the Town of Chester will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $17,400.00 and authorize the withdrawal and expenditure of these funds from the Town Forest Fund in accord with RSA 31:113. Said Town Forest Fund was established in 1983 at Town Meeting. And further to authorize the Conservation Commission as the agents to expend these funds for the following purposes: to prepare a forest management plan for the Hatton Forest; to prepare and file a conservation easement for the South Woods properties; to prepare a forest management plan for the South Woods properties; to prepare a baseline monitoring report for the South Woods properties; and to develop an invasive species control plan for Herrick Woods, the Natural Area, and Spring Hill Farm and to carry out invasive species control activities.
(If passed, this will have no tax impact)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends 4-2)

Article #21 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Chuck Myette explained that these funds are already available and in a separate bank account; all revenue from forest management activities go into this account. This Article simply allows the Conservation Commission to expend the funds.

Andrew Hadik stated his support for the Article and urged the Town to vote in favor of it.

Budget Committee Member Mat Stover asked how much money was in this account; Mr. Myette stated that it was somewhere in the $25,000 range. Mr. Stover asked that a public accounting of this fund be made available next year.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #21 carries.**

Article #22: Shall the Town of Chester vote to establish a special revenue fund pursuant to RSA 31:95c to be known as the Wason Pond Special Revenue Fund. The money received from fees and charges for the use and activities as the Wason Pond recreation area and facilities shall be allowed to accumulate from year-to-year and shall not be considered to be part of the Town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund and shall pay out the same only upon the order of the Wason Pond Conservation & Recreation Area Commission and after approval by the Board of Selectmen (no further town meeting approval is required). These funds may be expended only for recreation and conservation purposes, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other town funds which have not been appropriated for that purpose.
(If passed, this will have no tax impact)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend 0-6)

Article #22 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Chuck Heuer stated that although he applauded the work of the Wason Pond Commission, passing this Article could cause issues. The Budget Committee would not want to lock revenue up into one department; as it stands currently, flexible spending is possible and would not be so if this Article was passed.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the negative. **Article #22 fails.**

Article #23: To see if the town will raise and appropriate $5,845.00 for the purpose of providing public, educational, and governmental access television in the town of Chester. Said funds to be withdrawn from the Special Revenue Fund established as the "PACT" Fund (Warrant Article 29, May 14, 2003), separate from the General Fund.
(If passed, this will have no tax impact)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends 7-0)

Article #23 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #23 carries.**

Article #26: Submitted by Citizens Petition

In accordance with RSA 32:15 IV, the individuals whose signatures appear below support a Warrant Article to be placed on the Ballot for the Chester Town meeting in May 2008 to reduce the total number of members of the budget committee to three (3).

If passed, this Article would take effect May 2009. The first year the terms would be staggered so one seat would be for 1 year, another for 2 years and the third for 3 years. Subsequent terms would be 3 years for each seat.

Article #26 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded.

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere moved to postpone consideration of this Article indefinitely. The motion was seconded.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #26 is postponed indefinitely.**

Article #30: To transact any other business that may legally come before the Town. *(Selectmen recommend)*

Board of Selectmen Chair Weider pointed out that there had been no reading of auditor reports. A citizen moved to accept the reports as provided; the motion was seconded.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **The Auditor Reports will be accepted as provided.**

No further business under Article #30 was raised.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded. The voice vote was in the affirmative; so moved. The 2008 Town Meeting was adjourned at 12:19am.

A True Copy.

Attest:

/s/ Barbara L. Gagnon
Barbara L. Gagnon, Town Clerk

Minutes taken by Debra H. Doda

Selectmen's Report

Almost two hundred and fifty years ago. . . . . about fifty years after the Charter of our Town. . . . . in the midst of a great conflict. . . . . our forefathers faced with despair, unfair taxes and a conflict some felt was not in our best interest. . . . . listened to the words of a great writer. . . . ."These are the times that try men's souls. . . . the summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will in this crisis, shrink from the service of his country. . . .."

The American Crisis, December 19, 1776 by Thomas Paine

These words have always made an impression. We are now faced with a great economic crisis. We are watching our jobs go overseas, our industry being sent to the far reaches of the world, our monetary system and savings being challenged to a level of great disparity in which some wonder how they will meet the next month's mortgage or rent, let alone put away funds for retirement. But we have been through this "fire" before. We have adapted; we have reorganized; and we have made decisions that have made our society stronger, even though the "nay sayers" have advised that the only thing we can expect is "doom and gloom."

Selectmen are elected to make the day-to-day decisions for the operation of the Town. We can guide; we can explore; and hopefully we lead, for a decision that benefits the Town over the course of the next year, or possibly for the next generation. This is what this Board has proposed in this year's Budget & Warrant Articles. There are hard decisions to be made. Some of our equipment is getting old. The Fire Department has put together an excellent program to describe the reasons for replacing our eleven-year-old "first responder" vehicle that will serve more than one purpose. We, as a community, have to decide our options; do we need an ambulance/rescue vehicle as our first responder?; what is the cost?; does it provide the services we expect (keeping victims out of the weather and in a controlled environment)?; and do we have the personnel to adequately staff this vehicle?

As with all of the Warrant Articles, the Board of Selectmen asked each of these and many additional questions. We came to the conclusion that this is worthy of coming forward in Town Meeting and for allowing the populace to decide. Even though the cost

is controlled and we have the proper "escape clauses" in the contract, the passage or failure will ultimately affect all of the residents.

This Warrant also has two Articles that are exactly the same. They are being brought forward because of differences of opinions. This Board has heard numerous times from the citizenry that more coverage is needed from the Police Department. This year a Federal Grant (COPS Grant) is being made available to the cities and towns. The problem that Chester faces (as well as all the other applicants) is that more communities apply for these grants than the number of grants available. Therefore, we are forced to make a decision. This Board has attempted to respond by asking our voters to accept the Grant if awarded; but if not awarded, then to hire additional full-time officers through the budgetary process. We have listened to the debates; we have considered the numbers; we have worked with the Department Heads and studied other towns. Our belief is that the time has arrived for us to increase our full-time police presence, but the final say is for the citizens and taxpayers.

Had our community not grown, had the surrounding area not expanded, we might be able to continue in our present capacity, but the calls have increased and the time spent in court has increased. It is hard to expect a part-time officer to be present for court proceedings or to give up time from a full-time occupation to cover a shift.

It is the hope of this Board that the voters will come and ask questions and make informed decisions on these matters.

The Board of Selectmen has applied for several grants. At the time of this printing of this Report, we have been informed that these grants have been awarded to the Town. First we wish to thank the voters for allowing us to apply and to accept these grants. Many times the processing period does not coincide with Town Meeting and in the past, we have not been able to apply for these programs.

Secondly, we wish to thank all of those who have applied for grants and programs. They have aided your Town by applying for and in some cases, receiving these appropriate grants. Two recent examples have been the new ventilation system at the firehouse and the well and fountain system at Wason Pond. They were applied for by Erin Newnan and Pat Martin respectively and we have been successful. The first was a total grant for over seventy thousand dollars ($70,000). This has already been installed.

The second we just learned that we have been approved for a matching grant, which is one of our Warrant Articles. We hope you will support this in order for us to repair an ongoing problem and to be able to continue to use the Community Center.

Finally, let us thank all of the employees, volunteers, and citizens who help us make Chester what it is. We have had several people step up to vacancies that existed and vacancies that were created within our community by deaths or by people moving.

To all of you "a Heartfelt Thank You" and please be sure to vote on Tuesday, May 12th, and to attend Town Meeting on May 13th.

The Chester Board of Selectmen

James Hassam, Chairman
Jack Cannon, Vice Chairman
Stephen O. Landau
Mark Harris
Robert E. Brown

Jamie Hassam honors Chester's oldest citizen, Alice Renaud, with the Boston Post Cane*

Steff Landau recognizes Dick and Marge Godfrey at Town Meeting, May 2008, with Volunteer-of-the-Year Award*

** (Photos courtesy of the Tri-Town Times)*

Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Report

This year all of us have seen so may changes due to the economy. I have noticed the difference in my office when people come in; they now register smaller cars instead of the big SUV's that were so popular two years ago. I still have lines of customers but for the most part, the E-Reg and the mail-in registrations have become quite popular. The only time you need to come in is when you purchase a new car; and with this economy, how often are we going to be doing that?

This past year there have not been any major program changes - just improvements to the system that never slowed the lines down so most people did not notice the difference. The new change this year was to the driver's licenses and to the look of the registrations. By the time the State decided to have us use the new-style registrations, they had all the bugs worked out of the system so changing to the new printers was really a breeze. It will just take time to get used to the new look.

I do not foresee any changes coming this year from the State - only improvements to the system so none of us should be inconvenienced by a slow down in the equipment.

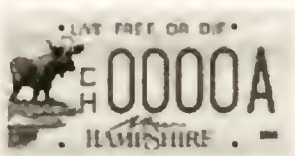
I want to remind everyone that you must license your dogs by April 30th each year. If you do not, I will have to send you a civil forfeiture which will cost you more and could result in you going to court and paying a fine if you do not license your dog. If you are not able to come into the office, this can be done by mail. Simply send me a copy of the rabies certificate, a self-addressed, stamped envelope and the correct amount. It is $6.50 for an altered male or spayed female, $9.00 if the dog is not spayed or altered, and senior citizens get their first dog for $2.00, then any other dog you have will be at the full price as listed above. Come June, the prices change so please call the office before you send in your check to avoid the check being returned to you.

As always, I am here to help you with whatever you need so please call and let me know what I can do for you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara L. Gagnon, Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Linda Mansur, Deputy

Office Hours are:

Mon, Wed, Thurs. & Fri. 8:00am-12: 30pm
Tues. 8:00 am-11: 45 am & 12:30 pm-3: 30 pm
E-mail address: chester9@gsinet.net



Supervisors of the Checklist

The Supervisors of the Checklist have registered 427 new voters between July 1, 2008 and late February 2009 bringing the total number of registered voters in Chester to 3,400.

There were 250 voters who registered on Election Day in November. The 177 others registered either during our sessions for the correction of the checklist held throughout the year or at the Town Clerk's Office.

During that time, we also removed 34 names from the checklist for various reasons.

Pictured above are some of Chester's Ballot Clerks working on Election Day!

In July, we were able to purchase five new voting booths to help keep Chester in compliance with state regulations. More will be needed as our registration numbers increase.

We post our registration sessions at the Town Offices, the Post Office, in the Tri-Town Times, and on Channel 20. We also use the sign at the center of town.

Voters are able to register to vote at the Town Clerk's Office during business hours. Please bring proof of citizenship, age, and residency.

To contact our office, leave a voice message at 887-4344 or send an e-mail to chestercs@gsinet.net. Please be patient waiting for a response as the supervisors work on an "as-needed" basis and do not keep regular office hours.

We would like to thank Karl Knudsen for his help over the last several years and welcome Leslie Packard.

Barbara Hatch, Chairperson, 2010

Dianna Charron, 2011

Leslie Packard, 2014

Chester residents exercising their right to vote on Election Day in 2008!

Finance Department

The Finance Department during the fiscal year 2007-2008 was still staffed with an interim Finance Director from Municipal Resources Incorporated and a temporary Bookkeeper from Account Temps.

The 2007-2008 audit was started in mid January 2008. There were minimal audit findings and no material audit adjustments. The Town is in a healthy financial position with an undesignated fund balance at the end of the year of $1,088,344 or 9.8% of the General Fund's expenditures.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela A. Sherwood
Finance Director as of November 4, 2008

Town of Chester
Treasurer
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April 20, 2009

To the Residents of Chester, NH:

Attached is a comparison of the cash on hand at the beginning of the fiscal year and at the end of the fiscal year for your review.

This should be used in conjunction with the Annual Audit and Management Letter from Mason & Rich to assess the overall financial health of Chester.

If you should have any specific questions relating to the Annual Audit and Management Letter, I suggest that you contact the Board of Selectmen or the Finance Director to get your questions answered.

Regards,

Donald J. Parnell
Treasurer

Town of Chester, NH
Treasurer Report
2008

	7/1/2007 Beginning Balance	*Net Change*	*6/30/2008 Ending Balance*
Conservation Commission	195,268	120,402	315,671
Conservation Commission Rollover	201	2	203
Conservation Forrestry	21,731	271	22,001
General Account	217,615	218,629	436,244
OffSite Account	53,896	2,570	56,466
PACT	29,374	8,736	38,110
Recreation Account	47,367	1,663	49,030
Road Bond Fund	215,921	(167,381)	48,539
Fire Department Special Account	0	215	215
Special Duty Fund	4,961	20	4,980
Police Drug Forfeiture	782	161	943

Trustees of the Trust Funds

February 9, 2009

As your Trustees of Chester's Trust Funds, we meet regularly throughout the year to monitor the performance of the funds invested in the Town's trust and capital reserve accounts and to ensure that funds are invested in accord with the laws of the State of New Hampshire and the Town's investment policies.

In addition, we make certain that new funds are invested promptly and properly and that payments are made to beneficiaries of the funds in accord with the stipulations of the individual funds. Finally, we file annual reports with the State of New Hampshire and provide complete information on the funds to the Board of Selectmen through the Town's financial director, to the Town's Budget Committee and to the Town's auditing firm. A copy of the State Report is published elsewhere in this Town Report for your review.

The Trustees are advised by an accredited professional financial firm in managing the investment of the Town's funds. During the past year, declines in the financial markets have reduced the value of the Town's trust funds, which are invested in a diversified portfolio of equity and bond funds. The income generated from the trust funds is, therefore, expected to be lower in Fiscal Year 2009-2010 than it was in Fiscal Year 2008-2009. All capital reserve funds are invested in money market funds which have increased in value during the market downturn. However, the rate of interest paid by the money market funds has been lower.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Elliott
Colin Costine
Matthew Stover

Assessing Department

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email: chesterassr@gsinet.net
Phone: 887-4045

The Assessing Department has continued to make changes during this past year to keep up with the changing times and the changing real estate market. One of the most exciting changes we have implemented is our new on-line Assessing search database website. The public is now able to search our properties on the web and obtain basic information on all the properties in our database. This new search database can be accessed through the town website, **www.chesternh.org**, then via the assessing department. We have also set up a public computer in the hallway at Town Hall for the public to access the website during business hours.

Our current town employee, Jean Packard, has completed the additional training needed and is now a State Certified Assistant Assessor. This has allowed the department to reduce its need for outside contracted services once again this year. Municipal Resources, Inc. continues to be our contracted assessing firm, but now performs only the more advanced assessing procedures that are needed. The primary member of the Municipal Resources staff working in town continues to be Scott Marsh.

The Assessing Department has been continuing to work on the newly created assessing standards implemented by the State of New Hampshire. Chester has been set for re-certification by 2011. At that time, the town's assessments will be reviewed and updated to reflect the current ratio-to-market value. Chester's assessments were last updated in 2006 and currently reflect 106% of market value.

It is asked that all town residents support the town's efforts to keep your assessment up to date by alerting the office to any changes or problems with your property. It is requested that if the appraisers come to your property, you support our efforts to keep assessments equitable and correct by answering their questions and allowing them to measure and list (describe) your structures.

The following is a listing of types of Property tax credits and Exemptions the Town of Chester offers to residents. The Veteran's Standard Tax Credit is now available to more Veterans due to a change in legislation several years ago. The qualifications and service dates were expanded to include more members of the armed forces. The new qualifications are also included in this report. More information and downloadable applications for all exemptions and credits can be found on the State of NH, Department of Revenue, website.

As always, we encourage all taxpayers to come in and review your property card and be aware of any changes that may or may not have happened to your assessment. The assessing department is open Monday through Friday to answer any questions you have on any of the above topics, as well as, timber tax, excavation tax or current use taxation.

Assessing Department
TYPES OF TAX EXEMPTIONS / CREDITS

ELDERLY EXEMPTION
off assessed valuation

AMOUNT	REQUIRED AGE	INCOME LIMITATION	ASSET LIMITS
$110,000	65 TO 74	Not in excess of:	Not in excess of
$140,000	75 TO 79	$30,000 Single	$300,000
$170,000	80 AND UP	$60,000 married	excluding the value of the residence and up to 2 acres of land

Taxpayer must also be resident of New Hampshire for 5 years and own and occupy real estate individually or jointly. If real estate is owned by spouse, they have to have been married for at least 5 years.

PERMANENTLY DISABLED

off assessed valuation	$110,000	Same income and asset limitations as elderly exemption. Taxpayer must be deemed disabled by the Social Security Administration and receiving benefits.

BLIND EXEMPTION

off assessed valuation	$30,000	Every inhabitant owning residential real estate, and who is legally blind, as determined by the administrator of blind services of the vocational rehabilitation division of the education department.

Veterans Credits		
Surviving Spouse Tax Credit	$2,000	The surviving unmarried spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty in the armed forces, as listed in RSA 72:28.
Service-Connected Disability Tax Credit	$2,000	Any person who has been honorably discharged and received a form DD-214, and who has a total and permanent service connected disability, or is a double amputee or paraplegic because of the service-connected injury, or the surviving spouse of such a person if such surviving spouse has not remarried
Standard Tax Credit	$500	Every resident who served in the armed forces in any of the qualifying wars or armed conflicts, as listed in RSA 72:28, and was honorably discharged; or the spouse/surviving spouse of such resident

Qualifying Awards for the Veterans' Tax Credit For Wars or Conflicts after May 8, 1975

List provided by NH State Veterans Council

Any of the following medals shall be considered a "theater of operations service medal" for the purposes of qualifying a veteran for the Veterans' Tax Credit in RSA 72:28. Typically, the medal will appear on the discharge papers (such as the DD214), except for those who earned the medal, but were discharged prior to the award. There must be documentation to qualify.

- Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
- Navy Expeditionary Medal
- Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal
- Southwest Asia Service Medal
- Kuwait Liberation Medal
- Kosovo Campaign Medal
- Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
- Afghanistan Campaign Medal
- Iraq Campaign Medal

In addition, in the absence of evidence to the contrary, the award of the following decorations shall also be considered evidence of a veteran's combat service and qualification for the Veterans' Tax Credit:

Reference: "V" Device: "V" stands for Valor, and it is awarded to denote combat service. If so specified, the medal must have the "V" Device to be valid.

- Air Force Cross
- Air Force Outstanding Unit Award **with "V" Device**
- Air Medal **with "V" Device**
- Army Commendation Medal **with "V" Device**
- Bronze Star Medal **with "V" Device**
- Combat Action Ribbon
- Combat Infantryman Badge
- Combat Medical Badge
- Combat Aircrew Insignia
- Distinguished Flying Cross
- Distinguished Service Cross
- Joint Service Commendation Medal **with "V" Device**
- Medal of Honor
- Navy Commendation Medal **with "V" Device**
- Navy Cross
- Purple Heart
- Silver Star

Current as of: April 25, 2005

Website **www.nh.gov/revenue/property_tax** references this list and the **Veterans Qualifying Discharge Papers list.**

Planning Board Report

Contact: Cynthia J. Robinson, Planning Coordinator
Phone: 887-5629

The Planning Board continues to be busy updating town planning documents. This year the Planning Board has two (2) Zoning Ordinance amendments.

The New Hampshire Legislature has passed several new laws pertaining to land use; they relate to growth management, workforce housing and small wind energy systems. This year the Board is proposing zoning amendments that will update the town's affordable housing zoning article to meet the State's legislative mandate to provide for workforce housing as well as a very minor amendment to the Ground Water Protection Ordinance.

Please note the legislative changes allow towns only one (1) year to amend their zoning for workforce housing. The amendments proposed by the Board are very minor (mostly definitional changes), because the Town's existing zoning already addresses the ability to create affordable (workforce) housing.

Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission (SNHPC)

SNHPC continues to assist the Planning Board by offering general information regarding issues with a regional impact, updating planning documents and keeping the Board informed of changes in the Community Technical Assistance Program (CTAP).

SNHPC offers professional planning services that the Planning Board will utilize on an as-needed basis. The Planning Board, with assistance from SNHPC, continues to work on developing a Local Source Water Protection Ordinance and an Impact Fee Ordinance for the Highway Department, Recreation Department and Chester Academy. The town's ordinances and regulations can be viewed on Chester's website [chesternh.org] by clicking on Planning Board.

The Planning Board will continue to take advantage of the services provided by SNHPC in the year ahead, particularly its professional planning services, given the impending widening of I-93 and its expected impact on Chester. Chester has two (2) representatives to the SNHPC, Jean Methot and Cynthia Robinson, who attend monthly meetings.

Community Technical Assistance Program (CTAP)

The Planning Board is currently applying for the second year CTAP money in the amount of $10,000.00, to assist the Board in updating the Town of Chester, NH, Site Plan Review Regulations and look at possibly creating and/or expanding the current commercial/light industrial zone.

The Planning Board used the CTAP Phase I money ($15,000.00) to conduct a feasibility study for assessing impact fees and through 2009 will develop, for adoption by the Planning Board, a methodology and schedule to assess impact fees.

For more information regarding the I-93 widening project, please visit **www.rebuildingI93.com**

Warrant Articles for Impact Fees and State Highway Aid

The Planning Board is proposing three (3) warrant articles whose purpose is to establish Capital Reserve Fund Accounts for the town's fair share contribution towards capital projects and funding towards State Highway Aid. These accounts are:

Recreation Department and Highway Department

These two (2) impact fee accounts will be established by depositing one dollar in the Recreation account and $10,000.00 in the Highway account. Over the years, the legislative body will be asked to contribute towards specific projects that are listed in the Town of Chester Capital Improvements Program - 2007.

Reconstruction of North Pond Road and Route 102

This account is being established for the purpose of conducting an engineering study on this intersection, which is the first step towards applying for State Highway Aid that will become available in July 2011. The NH Department of Transportation could reimburse the town two thirds (2/3) of the project cost if the town applies for State Highway Aid and goes through the State Procurement process. To establish this account $10,000.00 is being requested.

Planning Board Activity

Subdivisions

- Approved Subdivision Applications (Residential) 4
- Approved Lot Line Adjustment Applications 0

Locations

Sandown Road
Emerson Road
Fremont Road
Wells Village Road

- Lots created 20 Single-family homes
- Site Plan Review Applications (Commercial) 0
- Home Business Applications 14
- Scenic Road Applications 0
- Design Review Applications 1

Revenues

- Total Revenue (applications, etc.) $ 8,746.00
- Total Special Off-Site Improvement Account $56,465.80

Completed Off-Site Projects

(Off-site money expended)

North Pond Road	(culvert)	$1,114.88
Fire Hydrant	(Derry Road)	$1,939.23

Proposed Off-Site/Other Projects

(Money available)

Old Sandown Road	(reconstruction/paving)	$ 9,779.36
Harantis Lake Road	(culvert)	$ 4,169.90
Candia Road	(roadside work)	$ 6,277.03
Fire Department	(generator/hydrant)	$10,333.67

Other Board Activity

The Planning Board is thoroughly reviewing the Home Occupation/Home Business Ordinance as well as the application process for those permits. With the increase in Home Business applications, the Board has become aware of the need to clarify the application requirements and procedures. As part of the review, the board will investigate how surrounding towns are addressing these issues.

The Board has prepared a cover letter designed as a roadmap to help guide the home business applicant through the process of determining whether their proposed business is actually a home business or a commercial business.

Ongoing Planning Board Projects

- Update Subdivision Regulations
- Update Site Plan Review Regulations (commercial)
- Develop the methodology and schedule to assess an impact fee (Planning Board received a grant)

- North Pond Road/Route 102 intersection reconstruction
- Incorporate the stormwater management plan into subdivision and site plan review regulations.

Coffee Klatch and Round-Table Discussion

Out of the forums in which Planning Board members participated, the Board learned that the public wished to have more communication with the Planning Board. From this need the **Coffee Klatch** was initiated. The Coffee Klatch is held in conjunction with the Chester Town Fair on the first Saturday following Labor Day. The Coffee Klatch is held from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. in the Meeting Room at the Municipal Office Building prior to the start of the parade. During this period, Planning Board members are available to hear your thoughts about your vision for Chester's future as well as other planning related concerns. Other Town Departments and Committees also have representatives present to participate as well as contribute their ideas and expertise.

On the second Wednesday in October at 7:30 P.M. in the Meeting Room the Planning Board conducts a **Round-Table Discussion** where the Board the general goals it will be working on for the next year. All Town Departments, Committees and the general public are encouraged to attend. This is another informal opportunity for the Board to receive feedback and concerns to help in setting its long-term goals.

Proposed Zoning amendments in the order they will appear on the ballot

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment # 1** as proposed by the Planning Board for the town-zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Amend the Town of Chester Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend certain sections of Article 6.14 "Affordable Housing Requirements," to comply with new R.S.A.'s 674:58 and 674:60 governing "Workforce Housing" which will take effect on July 1, 2009; amend Section 6.4 "Definitions" by adding the term "Multi-Family Housing" and defining said term in accordance with new R.S.A. 674:58; amend Section 6.5 "Permitted Uses" by redefining what constitutes a "multi-family dwelling" in accordance with new R.S.A. 674:58; and amend Article 2 – "Definitions", Section 2.38, by renaming and redefining "Multi-Family (Dwelling) Housing" in accordance with new R.S.A. 674:58.

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment # 2** as proposed by the Planning Board for the town-zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Article 16 – Groundwater Protection

Amend Article 16 – Groundwater Protection by adding to Section 16.3 Definitions the terms "Loam" and "Topsoil" and defining said terms, and renumber subsequent sections, and amend Subsection 16.6.9 by reducing the depth of loam or topsoil required from six (6) inches to four (4) inches.

Copies of any of these amendments are available in the Planning Board Office, Town Clerk's Office and Selectmen's Office during regular business hours. Questions about these amendments should be addressed to the Planning Board Office.

The Board welcomes any questions and input regarding its ordinances and regulations. The Board meets on the first, second and fourth Wednesday of the month in the Meeting Room at the Chester Municipal Office Building starting at 7:30 P.M. Anyone interested in becoming a Planning Board member should attend Planning Board meetings and express their interest to Board members.

The Planning Board Office is located at 84 Chester Street, Room 5, in the Municipal Office Building. The Planning Board Office hours are per the schedule set by the Board of Selectmen.

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Respectfully submitted,
Chester Planning Board

Richard Snyder, Chairman
Evan Sederquest, Vice Chairman
Andrew Hadik
Camilla Lockwood
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Brian Sullivan
Liz Richter, Alternate
Robert Brown, Ex-Officio

Staff

Cynthia J. Robinson, Planning Coordinator

Chester Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Zoning Board of Adjustment, whose members are appointed by the Board of Selectmen, is made up of volunteers from our community and acts in a quasi-judicial capacity. The board has a hearing when an applicant wants relief from our zoning regulations as applied to his property. After listening to the facts and evidence in the case a determination is then made.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment had nine applications or actionable items to process from July to March during the 2008-2009 budget years. Variances are now in two categories, one being a use variance and the other is an area variance. To distinguish which variance you may need, our administrative secretary can assist you. Additionally the board accepts applications for special exceptions, equitable waivers and appeals from administrative decisions.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will continue to be frugal with our budget without sacrificing quality or service to our residents. Hopefully we will operate this year without a deficit, if we continue at the present pace.

The Zoning Board meets on the third Tuesday of the month at the Town Hall. The office hours are presently 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Wednesday and Friday. Applications can be picked up in the ZBA or the Building Inspector's office or can be printed on-line from the town's website. If you have questions, you may contact the office at 887-4343.

We are looking for three interested individuals who want to serve as board members. The individual must have some knowledge of our zoning ordinances, and be fair and impartial in hearing applications. If you are interested in joining this quasi-judicial board, please contact the Board of Selectmen.

I wish to thank the following board members for volunteering their time in serving the Town of Chester and also Janet Boyden for a great job she does for our residents.

Member's Name	Term Expiration
Kevin Scott	2009
Charlotte Lister	2011
Billie Maloney, Vice Chairman	2009
Dr. Joseph Hagen	2010

The Board is committed to the spirit and intent of the Chester Zoning Ordinance while functioning under the authority granted to it under the applicable statues and relevant case law.

Respectfully yours,
Jean Methot, Chairman Term 2010

Chester Road Naming Advisory Committee
2008 Annual Report

Only one road name was required during the past year, and Ladybug Lane was provided for the new open space subdivision on Route 102 (Raymond Road) across from the transfer station.

The Committee meets on an as-needed basis to review road name applications presented to the Committee through the planning board, for ultimate approval by the Board of Selectmen. These meetings are open to the public and every effort is made to post timely notices at the town offices and post office.

Road names in Chester are based on criteria laid out in the town ordinance book and Committee members research historic names and locations and enjoy lively conversations about their appropriateness and applicability to Chester. Changes made in 2007 are reflected in the latest edition of the ordinance book.

Anyone wishing to inquire about a road name or offer a name for consideration should contact Judith Balk (887-2536). Your comments and suggestions are always welcome. The Committee continues to seek new members; please call Ms. Balk for application information.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Balk, Chair
Ann Parnell, Vice Chair
Colin Costine
Ex Officio: John Colman
Camilla Lockwood, Liaison, Planning Board

Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission

The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission has a wide range of services and resources available to help dues-paying members deal with a variety of municipal issues. Technical assistance is provided by a professional staff whose expertise is, when necessary, supplemented by consultants who are selected for their specialized skills or services. Each year, with the approval of appointed representatives, the Commission staff designs and carries out programs of area-wide significance that are mandated under New Hampshire and federal laws or regulations, as well as local projects which would pertain more exclusively to your community.

Group Photo of Southern NH Planning Commission Staff

Technical assistance is provided in a professional and timely manner by staff at the request of Planning Board and/or Board of Selectmen. The Commission conducts planning studies and carries out projects that are of common interest and benefit to all member communities, keeps officials apprised of changes in planning and land use regulation, and in conjunction with the New Hampshire Municipal Association, offers training workshops for Planning and Zoning Board members on an annual basis.

Services that were performed for the Town of Chester during the past year are as follows:

1) Co-sponsored the Municipal Law Lecture Series, which was attended by Chester officials;
2) Conducted traffic counts at 15 locations in the Town of Chester and forwarded data to the Town's Planning Board Chair;
3) Hosted a special Planning Board Training held on April 22, 2008 for new Planning Board members focusing on planning board procedures, responsibilities, and planning law;
4) Co-sponsored, along with St. Anselm College, a pubic forum on Commuter Rail with former Governor Michael Dukakis as a presenter;
5) Prepared, printed copies for, and attended Public Hearing for adoption of Capital Improvement Program;
6) Worked on a study to evaluate feasibility of Impact Fees for the Planning Board;
7) Worked on the Source Water Protection Plan for the community;
8) Represented the interests of the Town on the CART Board of Directors and the CART Executive Committee, including attendance at a Board of Selectmen's meeting to discuss budget issues;
9) Participated in regional economic development discussions with the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce regarding Metro Center, which was attended by Chester officials;
10) Worked with the Town Planning Board on their CTAP Build-out Analysis;
11) Hosted a Legislative Open House in Concord for Chester Legislators on February 5, 2008;
12) Provided basic planning assistance to the Chester Planning Coordinator as needed;

13) Presented a summary of the New Innovation Land Use Model Ordinances (RSA 674:21) to an All Town Boards meeting and the public;
14) Researched zoning regulations pertaining to Home Occupancy Businesses;
15) Assisted the Town on coordinating the design improvements of the NH Route 102/North Pond Road Intersection with NHDOT. Collected traffic data and completed related analysis in conjunction with this effort;
16) Sponsored two planning Forums: Recent Workforce Legislation held on October 8, 2008 and Community Energy initiatives held on November 6, 2008;
17) Sponsored two meetings with Town Administrators, Public Works Directors, and Road Agents, to discuss the feasibility of establishing purchasing cooperatives;
18) Facilitated Brownfield's Advisory Committee meetings held on February 12, 2008, April 23, 2008, June 18, 2008, and September 18, 2008, which were attended by Chester officials;
19) Coordinated topic discussions on Workforce Housing and Conservation; Porous Pavement and Concrete; Amendments to Shoreland Protection Act; Small Energy Systems; Workforce Housing Legislation; and Innovated Land Use Planning Techniques for SNHPC Planners' Roundtable meetings which, were attended by Chester officials;
20) Sponsored and coordinated the Conservation Commission Institutes including topics on Sustainable and Integrated Landscaping and Innovated Landscaping Techniques held on February 21, 2008, Regional Conservation Commissions projects held on April 17, 2008, and Merrimack River Watershed Restoration Plan held on July 30, 2008, which were attended by Chester officials; and
21) Sponsored and coordinated the Natural Resources Advisory Committee including CTAP Open Space Planning Assessments on October 29, 2008.

Chester's Representatives to the Commission
Jean G. Methot
Cynthia J. Robinson

Executive Committee Members
Jean G. Methot, Secretary
Cynthia J. Robinson

Village Cemetery
Report of the Trustees 2008

To the citizens of the Town of Chester, the Village, North Chester, Raymond Road and Sanborn Cemeteries are a great source of pride for our Town. During the 2008 year, we have accomplished a great deal and will be finishing up projects set for this spring. This year, wooden fences as well as iron gates were painted, 50 stones were righted and placed back on their bases and re-secured. Both of these projects took a tremendous amount of time and care. Perpetual care markers have been purchased and already some have been placed. We are working to find all perpetual care stones to place a marker by them this year.

Some of the projects for this year are to fix the gates at the North Chester Cemetery and to add fill and drainage to the driveway leading in to the Cemetery. Also, to fix a section of wall along Route 102, rescuer granite stone around two family plots, replace loam in low areas, fix damage left from the 2008 ice storm that took down many limbs and trees, and to fix any damage to walkway or stones in the 18th Century part of the Cemetery.

The Cemetery Trustees would like to give special thanks to Warren Roberts, Steve Child, Dennis Roberts, Aaron Mansur, Eveline Roberts, Geoff Barnett, and Darren Roberts who come week after week to mow the grass, weed-whack around the stones, rake up the leaves, remove fallen limbs, and do the repairs needed to keep the Cemeteries in good shape.

Respectfully submitted,

Village Cemetery Trustees

Steve Child, Chair	2011
Geoffrey Barnett	2010
Aaron Mansur	2009

Steve Child & Geoff Barnett at the Village Cemetery, Photo Courtesy of R. Lamphere

N.E. Grave Art Work Carved 1777

Chester Police Department
Report for Calendar Year Ending 2008

What a difference a year makes! Some of you may be wondering about the changes in staff at the Chester Police Department. To bring you up-to-date, some familiar faces have left our Department and some new faces have appeared. After twenty-six years of service to the town, Sgt. Lenny Leclair decided to retire. We wish him well and thank him for his dedication to our Department and the citizens of Chester. Also, Administrative Assistant and Part-time Officer, Vaughn McGillen, chose to leave the Department after serving Chester for several years. Part-time Officer Jered Maguire was hired as a full-time officer with the Manchester Police Department. Part-time Officer Jonathan Nightingale left the Department after several years due to family commitments. Finally, Part-time Officer Richard Belanger left the Department after several years to take a full-time dispatcher's position with the Hooksett Police Department. We wish them all well and they will be missed; but as British novelist and playwright Arnold Bennett once said: *"Any change, even a change for the better, is always accompanied by drawbacks and discomforts."* Still, I remain optimistic that, with the help of Chester residents, the Chester Police Department will move forward in a positive fashion and will be better than ever.

There have been a few changes in personnel at the Chester Police Department. Some of you may have noticed the new smiling face at the Administrative Assistant's desk. Linda Pomeroy comes to us after working for many years in the hotel industry as well as operating a veterinary clinic for large animals. Linda is a "horse person" and grew up in Candia. Please feel free to swing in or give Linda a call for any of your administrative needs. Dan Bouchard is our new D.A.R.E Officer. Dan comes to us with over twenty–eight years of experience as a Londonderry Police Officer, D.A.R.E Officer and School Resource Officer. Officer Tim Loveless comes to the Chester Police Department with over six years of full-time experience. You may have seen Tim if you are out on the roads after midnight. Tim is passionate in removing drunk and drug drivers from the roads and has been acknowledged by the State of New Hampshire for his efforts. Last but not least, Officer Joe Dyrkacz. Joe is new to the Police profession but has many years of experience in the Fire Fighting and Emergency Medical fields. I am sure he will be a great asset to the Chester Police Department. Please welcome these new employees to the town and help them feel like part of our "Chester family."

The Department employs eight Part-time Officers who bring several years of time and experience to the Town. These Officers have full-time jobs and families, but commit themselves to the Chester Police Department and I greatly appreciate what they do for the Department and the community. Full-time Sergeant Aaron Berube

has been with us for over a year and continues to assist me with the day-to-day operations and supervisory needs of the department.

Chester Police Officers continue to train in many areas in order to provide the services that the taxpayers and residents deserve. Deadly Force, Defensive Tactics, Firearms, CPR, First–Aid, Taser, front line supervision, and on-line web courses are just a few of the many training opportunities offered by the Police Standards and Training Council as well as the Chester Fire Department, with whom we have a great relationship. I feel that the proper training, equipment, and compensation are essential in keeping the town of Chester safe as well as to retain the Officers that dedicate their services to the Town.

The Police Department has replaced two high mileage vehicles in our fleet over the past year and we hope to replace a third one in July. I am happy to say that we are going back to a more traditional "black-and-white" cruiser. This is in line with our commitment to being a more community-oriented Police Department. All of our vehicles will now be outfitted with in-car digital camera systems, external defibrillators, radar units, and stop-sticks, all which were purchased through grants or private donations to the Department's Police Association. We have also installed a digital camera system in the Police Department at the suggestion of the Local Government Center to assist in lessening our liability when we have prisoners in the building.

The Chester Police Department had an increase of Calls for Service from 2007 to 2008. The number of weapons, drug, alcohol, and domestic-related calls being answered by our Officers continues to increase. These calls can be dangerous and stressful and require the proper training and experience to handle. We have been extremely fortunate to have no Officers injured on duty this past year. The Chester Police Department hopes to continue to move forward in its mission to provide 100%, twenty-four hour, seven-day-a-week coverage to the community. **We are still working towards that goal**. By doing so, we can take the strain off the State Police and neighboring Departments who often provide mutual aid for emergencies.

The Chester Police Department will continue to update training and equipment in order to keep our officers and the community in tune with the latest requirements.

The Chester Police Association as well as the *DARE* program continue to foster positive relationships with the residents and youth of our community. This is the second year that we have sponsored a local resident for the N.H. Police Cadet Academy. The Department also works in conjunction with Pinkerton Academy to offer an eighty-hour internship program for one lucky student per year. We also

continue to host several Boy Scout and Girl Scout meetings in our training room and sponsor local teams and organizations every year.
The Chester Police Department is a "kid friendly" department and we encourage the young people to be involved in keeping their community a safe and fun place to live.

In closing, I would ask that you continue to support **your** Police Department. We are here for you and we could not do what we do without a strong partnership between the Police Department and the citizens of Chester.

Sincerely,

William Burke, Chief of Police

Full-Time Police Officers:
Aaron Berube, Sergeant
Timothy Loveless, Patrolman
Part-Time Police Officers:
Scott Haggart, Patrolman
Harold Gardner, Patrolman
Nelson Ortega, Patrolman
David Hargreaves, Patrolman
Anthony Maccarone, Patrolman
James Hargreaves, Patrolman
Joseph Dyrkacz, Patrolman
Daniel Bouchard, D.A.R.E Officer
Administrative Assistant:
Linda Pomeroy

Contact Information & Telephone Numbers:

9 – 1 – 1	**EMERGENCY**
887-3229	24-Hour Dispatch
887-2080	Unattended Business Line
887-2090	Fax
E-Mail:	**chesterpd@gsinet.net**
Chief's E-Mail:	**Chief@gsinet.net**

Chester Police Department

Highlights of Calendar Year
January 2008 to December 2008

Sexual Assaults / Sex Offenses	15
Assaults	14
Criminal Threatening/Harassment	21
Citizen Assist	179
Police Information	125
Burglaries	7
Thefts	60
Criminal Mischief/Vandalism	54
Forgery / Fraud	14
Drug Violations	18
Weapons/Explosive Violations	1
Arson	2
Bad Check Violations	1
Disorderly Conduct	5
Driving While Intoxicated	18
Protective Custody	76
Alcohol Violations	96
Trespass Violations	16
Motor Vehicle Thefts	3
9-1-1 Calls	36
Alarm Activations	128
Suspicious Person / Incident calls	99
Noise Complaints / Disturbances	25
Hunting Complaints / Violations	1
Aide to Fire Department	64
Aide to Law Enforcement	79
Juvenile Problems / Services	20
Paperwork Services	150
Vacation Notice	105
Animal Control	162
Motor Vehicle Complaints	42
Motor Vehicle Crash Reports	**71**
Arrests	**164**
Restraining Orders Logged	**22**
Citations Issued / Parking Tickets	**237**
Warnings Issued	**1364**
Pistol Permit Applications	**88**
Weapons Sales	**8**
Sexual Offender Registration	**7**

Fire Department

In case of emergency call 9-1-1
For permits and all other Fire Department business use the following numbers:
Weekdays call the Fire Station at 887-3878.
Nights and weekends call the Duty Officer phone at 365-7184.
Two full-time Firefighter/EMTs from 7:30am to 6:00pm staff the station during the weekdays in staggered shifts.
E-mail: chesterfire@comcast.net

2008 was both an eventful and a successful year for the Chester Fire Department. Our dedicated members provide the town with 24/7 on-call coverage for fire, hazmat and medical emergencies. Two full-time Firefighter/EMTs provide weekday coverage. In 2008, we responded to 502 calls, which represents a 4% increase over 2007 (483 calls). For more than 8 consecutive years, the number of emergency calls we respond to has risen every year. Since the year 2000, our call volume has doubled.

My gratitude goes out to our members, each a resident of our town, who balance the needs of their families and their full-time jobs with the needs of our residents. This year's ice storm was an event that pushed our department and as always our dedicated team stepped up and worked hundreds of hours to serve our residents and town in our time of crisis, and made me very proud. In addition to the time they give responding to calls and weekly training, they are dedicated to being involved in the community by putting in volunteer hours to care for the station and the equipment, to support our blood drives, our community education programs, our fire prevention programs, and our community support programs.

The training of our members is a high priority. We train every Tuesday night and two Sundays a month to build teamwork and sharpen skills. Two of our members serve as Training Coordinators to establish and execute programs in both the areas of firefighting and emergency medical response. We strive to provide both basic and advanced certification opportunities throughout the year. Our members are certified as Firefighters, EMT-Basics, EMT-Intermediates, Paramedics and CPR instructors. As a result of this focus on training and because of the advanced skill set of our EMTs, Chester Fire has earned the privilege of providing a higher level of care to our patients. We now run at the EMT-Intermediate level of care, which means we provide more advanced medical care to the residents of our community.

In these difficult economic times, it has been more important than ever that we find ways of funding our needs through alternative sources. Over the last couple of years our grant writing efforts have been increasing. Chester Fire now has two members dedicated to writing grants, as well as a small committee of volunteer members who help with research and coordination. In 2008, in a very competitive process, our efforts to find federal and private funding have brought in over $100,000 in grants for the Fire Department this year. Monies received from these grants have funded the following projects: purchase and installation of the exhaust extrication system at the station, automatic electronic defibrillators (AED) for town buildings, smoke detectors for our soon to be introduced Community Detector Program, forestry personal protective gear (pants, shirts, and helmets), fire and EMT training, and animal resuscitation masks.

A community service grant allowed us to provide gifts for 73 children in Chester at Christmas and extend assistance to residents for food and heating fuel.

On the fire side, we are continuing to work with ISO (Insurance Services Office) to improve our town's homeowner insurance rating. This requires a great deal of reporting and testing. We are approximately half way through the process and expect to have the project completed by the end of the year. We saved the town over $4,000 by doing all of our hose testing in-house. A generous donation of a hose tester was made to the department and our fulltime and active call members put in many hours to pressure test over 8000 ft. of fire hose. The demand for permits and fire inspections has continued to grow. On-site inspections of gas and oil heating systems, chimneys, woodstoves, pellet stoves, sprinkler systems, life safety and daycare are available as necessary. Over 150 fire safety inspections were completed this year. The high price of heating fuel has resulted in many more residents seeking alternative heating sources for the winter. Chimney fires, wood and pellet stove issues, and carbon monoxide calls have been on the rise. We encourage all residents to have these heating sources cleaned and inspected regularly. Safety inspections are available at no charge by the Fire Department.

One of our ongoing goals is to strengthen and grow the Fire Prevention and Safety programs in Chester by making them more accessible to the public. We participate in programs at Chester Academy during Fire Prevention week and their Healthy Living program and work with the seniors. We are offering classes to the public on Boating Safety, CPR, AED, and First Aid. We also publish a newsletter called the Chester Fire Wire that gives information to residents of seasonal safety issues as well as giving an interactive lesson geared towards the children. This spring, Chester Fire will roll out a new community service for smoke and CO detectors. We have a lot of aging homes in Chester with outdated or defective smoke detectors. Many of our residents need assistance in replacing these detectors or maintaining them. Our program will provide volunteer assistance in this area. Please watch for more details as we get closer to offering this service.

A challenge we have faced this year has been the needs of our apparatus. We are attempting to replace our rescue with a combination rescue vehicle to better serve the residents of Chester. We have two other vehicles that are over 26 years old, our Engine 1 and Ladder 1. These vehicles have required a great deal of mechanical work in 2008. There is no CIP in place for replacement of these vehicles at this time.

I would like to remind all residents that a burn permit is required for *all* outside fires whether it's a brush pile, campfire, or chiminia. Burn permits allow you to burn from 5pm until 9am. If it is actively raining, or there is snow on the ground, you may burn during the daytime hours, however, *you still need to obtain a permit.* For full details of the ordinances for burning, please call the Fire Station or see the Chester website **www.chesternh.org** .

For the Chester Fire Department,
Chief Richard Antoine

Chester Fire Officers

Chief: Richard Antoine **Deputy Chief:** Mike Willinsky

Captain: Greg Bolduc

Lieutenants: Rob Wolinski
Kevin Wunderly
Jamie Hassam
Justin Oteri

Chester Fire Membership

Abigail Bellemore
Richard Bellemore
Jim Brown
Colin Costine
Eric Emerson
Brian Gregson
Chris Lamy
Ken LeCalir
Erin Newnan
George Pinault
Tony Rossignol
Bob Schifferdecker
Michael Scott
Kim Shiel
Eric Bellemore
Tim Boynton
Ben Clark
Mike Doucette
Phillip Gladu
Jim Hoffman
Chris LeClair
Robert Murphy
Scott Newnan
Jon Robertson
Laura Schifferdecker
Kevin Scott
Ted Scott
Candace Tunberg

Forest Fire Warden: Richard Antoine

Deputy Fire Wardens: Mike Willinsky
Greg Bolduc
Rob Wolinski
Kevin Wunderly
Justin Oteri

Building Inspections / Code Enforcement Department

Hours – Mon –Tues – Wed and Saturdays 8 to Noon
Night Office Hours – Thursday 6 PM to 8 PM
(603) 887-5552 (office) (603) 887-4404 (fax)

Permits issued for 2008 (Approximate)
New Structures 20
Demo Permits 2
Home Improvement 28

Many permits have also been issued for driveways, electrical and plumbing.

The Building Inspection/Code Enforcement Department still remains a busy office despite the current economic slowdown in construction. These changes also bring to the Department new personnel, office hours and higher expectations. One major change within the Department will be in the area of Code Enforcement. The past year was the start of a drawn-out and slow process of bringing long-standing code violations into compliance. It is with great hope and promise for the future that more in-depth Code Enforcement compliance will be effected without the need to utilize RSA 676:17-b.

Therefore, I wish to thank all the citizens of the Town of Chester for volunteering to bring their code issues into compliance. With all of us working together, we are able to bring even the harshest violations and some sensitive issues dear to their hearts into compliance through time.

In closing, I again thank *all* the citizens for their cooperation and willingness to respect Building Codes and look forward to assisting you in these needs.

Respectfully submitted;

Tom Malley
Building Inspector
Code Enforcement Officer

Emergency Management Report

November 2008, I was appointed Emergency Management Director. This required attendance at a training session to acquaint me with the necessary documents and processes needed for emergency operations. This was handled in a relaxed manner, no excitement. What happened less than three weeks later was interesting, to say the least. Not so relaxed. The ice storm and its aftermath was quite an initiation.

Thank you to all that helped during that time. Local officials, neighboring communities, Chester Academy personnel (the hosts for our emergency shelter) and the twenty volunteers who stepped forward to man the shelter for the five days we were open round the clock. They again manned their spots after the power came on for the school allowing residents still without power to access showers (with hot water).

During the subsequent weeks, there were many meetings with FEMA reps, which led to substantial reimbursements for Chester. This represents a 75% payment from FEMA.

Looking forward, the goals for the year ahead include updating Emergency Plans, Hazard Mitigation Plans and securing the necessary grants to complete the task. In addition, we will seek more grant funding to get started on other Emergency Management projects.

Submitted by: Stephen Tunberg, Director

Highway Safety Committee

Contact: Police Chief William Burke
Phone: 887-2080

The Committee met in 2008, in the Conference Room of the Chester Police Department. Residents from different sections of town are still needed as volunteers on the Committee. It is important for the Committee to have a variety of viewpoints from throughout the town on road issues.

Highway safety issues discussed were as follows:

1) Review of turning issue at the intersection of North Pond Road and Route 102.

2) Halloween proves to be a large event with a number of traffic safety issues.

3) The Committee reviews motor vehicle crash reports that have occurred on town roads over the past year.

Projects that receive funding from the NH Highway Safety Agency must relate directly to problems or potential problems that have been identified through the analysis of available traffic record data.

Members of the Committee monitor the school bus evacuation drills held at Chester Academy. A report of this Committee's observations is sent to the school and bus company following the drills.

The Committee strives to achieve the goals set forth in our Mission Statement and meet the requirements set forth in NH RSA 238.

Respectfully submitted,

Chester Highway Safety Committee

Chief William Burke, Police Department – Chief Rich Antoine, Fire Department
Gene Charron, State Representative – Charlotte Lister, State Representative
Jack Cannon, Selectman; Cynthia J. Robinson, Planning Board; Michael Oleson, Road Agent

Road Agent Report

During the past year, we have cut brush, graded dirt roads, filled potholes, worked on small drainage problems and, of course, plowed snow.

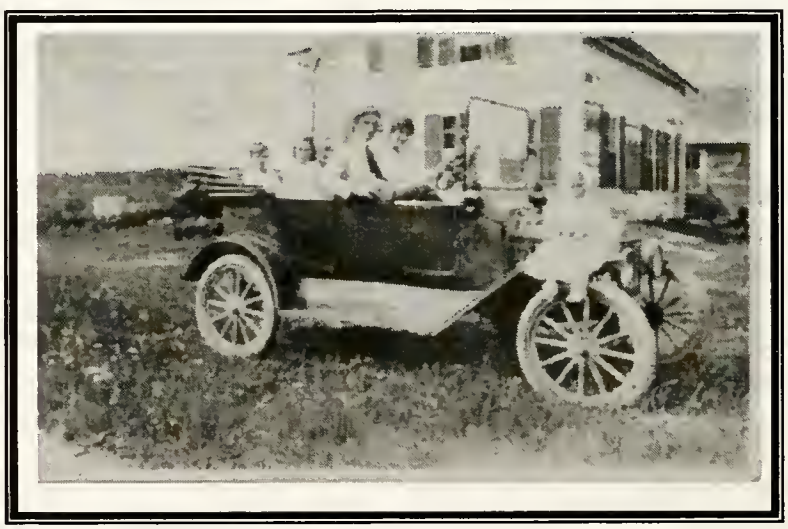
The ice storm created challenges for the Highway Department crew due to excessive amounts of brush and limbs on the sides of most of our roads, which must be removed in the spring to eliminate more drainage problems.

Due to the fact that all Highway Department Articles at last year's town meeting were not approved, no road projects were done to our failing infrastructure.

This year's Warrant Articles for East Derry Road to be rebuilt and drainage work on Edwards Mill Road and Halls Village Road will, hopefully, be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Oleson, Road Agent



Edwards Family on North Pond Road
Photo Courtesy of Chester Historical Society

Annual Report of the Recycling & Solid Waste Committee

As always we would like to dedicate this report to the residents of Chester committed to preserving the environment and to reducing taxes by recycling.

Why Chester Recycles?

It has been over two decades since the citizens of Chester voted to adopt mandatory recycling. Since then, the citizens have reaffirmed the desire to continue recycling at two additional Annual Town Meetings. In spite of this, there are occasional public challenges to the mandatory recycling policy. Therefore, we would like to take this opportunity to revisit the key reasons for recycling:

Liability - By law, all waste generated and removed from the Town creates an instant liability. The waste that goes into the compactor, and then on to a landfill, will continue to have an indefinite liability for the taxpayers of Chester. If that landfill ever requires environmental remediation, and the operator does not have enough funds to cover the cost, or is no longer in business, then the Town will be held liable for its share of the remediation cost on a prorated basis. These remediation costs can be extraordinarily expensive. This is why it is so important to reduce the overall tonnage from the Town. Less tonnage equals less potential financial liability. (Note: the recycling program reduces this tonnage by 30 to 40 percent!)

Lower Taxes - The recycling program reduces disposal costs, thereby reducing taxes. In the eleven years the new facility has been in operation, over $200,000 has been saved by recycling. Taking into consideration the amount of residents who have opted for alternative disposal methods that do not require recycling (dumpsters and curbside pickup), the actual savings may be more than double this amount. This is because some of the cost burden has been shifted to those residents willing to pay extra for greater convenience.

Environmental - The environmental benefits are way too numerous to mention here.

There are many more reasons to support recycling. Different folks will prioritize them differently; however, there are enough reasons for almost everyone to justify recycling.

2008 Facility Summary

In 2008, the facility's waste stream totaled 865 tons, of which 332 tons were recycled. Of these 332 tons, 260 tons were kitchen* (household) recyclables (see the list below). The average profit of recycling these kitchen recyclables was $1.79 per ton, versus a cost of $104.99 per ton for the compactor waste disposal. As a result, the recycling program resulted in a net savings of at least $27,626. This is an impressive number considering the total disposal cost of the waste that went into the compactor was $55,951.

Overall, **38.4%** percent of the Transfer Station waste stream was recycled. The reason for the slight decline is that the volume of all commodities has decreased slightly (people are buying and throwing away less due to the poor economy), and there were also significant decreases in the amount of newspapers and scrap metal brought in. Congratulations are still due, however, to all citizens who have participated in the program. We are still close to meeting the 40% recycling goal set for all municipalities by the EPA and State. This is an important accomplishment and one to be proud of. Let us continue the good work in the future!

Summary of Recycling Tonnages:

Newspaper*	35.1 tons
Magazines*	25.5 tons
Mixed Paper*	63.5 tons
Cardboard*	40.6 tons
Scrap Metal	58.4 tons
Co-mingled Cans*	7.4 tons
Aluminum Cans*	2.9 tons
#1 & #2 Plastics*	17.0 tons
Mixed Glass*	67.9 tons
Tires	3.1 tons
Car Batteries	1.0 tons
TVs & Computers	4.5 tons
Used Motor Oil	5.0 tons
Total:	**331.8 tons**

(*kitchen / household recyclables)

(Note: When combining all expenses, the entire recycling program actually made a profit of about $8,443 - an average of $25.45 per ton.)

The Committee continues to support recycling and decreasing waste disposal costs. The current consensus still is that we have reached the practical limits to the complexity of the program. Therefore, we do not anticipate any significant additions or changes to the commodities recycled in the future, unless mandated by law, or some other opportunity for significant cost savings arises.

We continue to note that many new residents are not fully aware of the Transfer Station facility and the relative convenience it provides for residents. We would like to take this opportunity to invite new residents to visit the facility and meet our staff. Come and take advantage of what your taxes pay for. The facility is open to the public on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, and on Saturdays from 7:00 am to 2:00 pm.

In closing, we would like to encourage any citizens with constructive ideas for improvements or who are interested in serving on the committee, to please talk to one of our Transfer Station staff or contact the Office of Selectmen at 887-4979 for information about joining our committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Hadik
Bonnie Healey
Lloyd Healey
Barbara King
Stephen O. Landau, Selectman Liaison

Transfer Station Operator, Lloyd Healey, and Darrell F. Quinn burn a huge pile of brush brought in by residents. They begin the burning of the brush around 4:00 AM so that there will be enough time for it to go out before the end of the day.

Wilcomb Townsend Trust Fund
Annual Report
7/1/07 – 6/30/08

These funds are available to Chester residents of any age to help with fuel, medications, or other necessities. We also offer help to anyone interested that qualifies in obtaining Life Line through the Rockingham County Community Action Services. We have certificates from Walmart to help with prescription costs. We do accept donations and 100% of donated funds go directly to help citizens of Chester. Contact any Trustee with questions about either donating funds or requesting assistance.

7/1/2007	**Beginning Balance**	$0.00	$9,770.59	$9,770.59
	Receipts	$5,725.51	$9,383.01	$15,108.52
	Ttls	$5,725.51	$19,153.60	$24,879.11
	Disbursements:			
	Fuel & Utilities	$4,392.71	$703.34	$5,096.05
	Burial Costs	$300.00	$0.00	$300.00
	Annual Filing Fee	$0.00	$75.00	$75.00
	Medical Costs	$0.00	$540.00	$540.00
	Food & Clothing	$1,000.00	$7,501.05	$8,501.05
	Postage	$32.80	$0.00	$32.80
	Rent	$0.00	$500.00	$500.00
	Total Disbursements	$5,725.51	$9,319.39	$15,044.90
6/30/2008	**Ending Balance**	$0.00	$9,834.21	$9,834.21

Trustees:	Cynthia Tunberg	2013
	Genevieve Rowell	2009
	Dianna Charron	2010
	Barbara Dolloff	2011
	Lisa Oleson	2012

Recreation Commission
Report 2007-2008

The Chester Recreation Commission is a volunteer committee responsible for the operation of the Multi-purpose Room, the town athletic fields, the Wason Pond Recreation Area and the Community Center.

For more information on Chester Recreational Programs and Activities please visit our web site at **http://www.chesternh.org/recreation_main.htm**.

The Recreation Commission meets at 7:00 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Recreation office located in the Town Office Building. The Commission is in need of additional volunteers to assist in the rapidly growing recreational needs of the community. Chester Residents are encouraged to attend our meetings to gain an understanding of the ongoing work of the Commission. The Recreation office can be reached at (603) 887-5773.

PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

Summer Program
The six-week Summer Program begins the first full week in July. The program consists of guided children's activities, sports, and crafts as well as weekly field trips. This year we will also include a full day program. There is a modest fee for this program, but no child will be turned away for financial reasons. Additionally, field trips are offered during the summer for all Chester children.

Wason Pond Conservation & Recreation Area
Organized events held annually at the recreational area are the June fishing derby, a cross-country running race that coincides with the Town Fair, and a luau in August.
The public is welcome to enjoy its natural beauty anytime.

Basketball Program
Chester basketball provides a comprehensive, skills-based program in a fun-filled environment to over 225 children. Travel team players also participate in a wide range of tournaments.

Soccer Club: "Chester Soccer... it Kicks"
The fall was a busy time for all of our soccer players, U6 through U12. The teams held practices and games on the town fields and during their spring season will have practices and games at the Sportszone in Derry. For more information you can visit the web site at http://www.chestersoccer.com/

Lacrosse Club
Lacrosse for girls came under the recreation umbrella in 2004 with girls registered in the U11 through U15 age groups. This next year the girls program will participate in the

Derry Lacrosse league. Chester boys will remain in the Derry program. Lacrosse sign-ups took place in February and March. For more information you can visit the web site at http://www.ourleaguesite.com/.

Adult Yoga
This year we offered a yoga program that is run through the recreation department. Yoga is offered 2 days a week and has morning, afternoon and some evening classes. The program, directed by Rhonda Woodward, Certified Kripalu Yoga Teacher, is designed for both beginner and experienced students.

Multi-Purpose Room
The Multi-purpose Room is scheduled by the Recreation Commission and is open for use by town residents. There is an application and approval process coordinated through the Recreation Coordinator. Several recreational programs use this facility, including basketball, baseball, floor hockey, softball, dances, senior aerobics and the Chester Mom's Club. As it is a shared town resource, the Recreation Commission is working with the Board of Selectmen to address maintenance issues with the floor. The Multi-Purpose room is an invaluable resource that is truly one of the busiest rooms in town!

Staff
Daily responsibilities of the Recreation Coordinator include scheduling the Multi-purpose Room and the Community Center, coordinating field space and usage requests, conducting sign-ups for a variety of Recreation-sponsored programs, daily communication with and assisting Recreation Commissioners with their needs, planning, coordinating and implementing new programs along with the summer program, as well as meeting the bookkeeping needs for all of these programs. The coordinator's responsibility additionally has been to prepare Wason Pond for summer and to assist with development plans for ball fields on the property.

The Recreation Commission has adopted a statewide mandate to require that all volunteers have a background check before being able to work with children. All coaches and summer program employees will be required to go through a First Aid and CPR training course. We strive to keep all children safe and well-supervised in all of our programs.

The Commission is continuing to work toward establishing new athletic fields at the Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Area included in the Master Plan for that facility. Field space is very tight at the moment and scheduling practices and games is growing increasingly more difficult. We are looking forward to providing continued recreational opportunities in town, and pursuing a reasonable field space development and use plan is essential.

Recognition and Thanks
The Recreation Commission would like to express our thanks to the Basketball Board, the Soccer Board, and the lacrosse members, Baseball and its Board, as well as all of the coaches, volunteers, and referees for all of these programs. The residents of Chester,

especially its children, benefit from the dedication of these fine individuals who do not receive enough recognition for their time and effort.

Respectively submitted by:
Chester Recreation Commission Members,

Ed Karjala, Chairman
Bill Lonergan, Vice -Chair
Linda Royce
Bill Chirgwin
Kim Cremin
Corinna Reishus

Recreation Coordinator
Stephen Moltenbrey

Pictured Left:

Brett Harris holds up his team's plaque award for their win of League Championship played at Pinkerton Academy

Chester Historical Society

CHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Chester Historical Society is a non-profit membership organization that exists to promote the study of the history of Chester, the preservation of history through the collection and protection of historical matter, and supports the continuing education of the community of the Town's ever evolving heritage.

We had hoped to begin a tradition of Family Movie Night, and managed to have one in December of 2007 featuring "A Muppet Christmas Carol." We have not totally discounted Movie Night, and will revisit this for the future. This highlight of our year was in presenting three NH Humanities Council programs;

April 22 - Abraham and Mary Lincoln: The Long and the Short of It Husband and wife actors, Steve and Sharon Wood presented the Lincolns shortly after his inauguration and the start of the Civil War. Their portrayal was superb, and if it were not April 2008, you would have sworn it was April 1861!

Sept. 30 - NH Cemeteries and Gravestones with Glen Knoblock was especially interesting for he feature many of the stones and stonecutters from the Chester Village Cemetery.

October 28 - Witches, and Pop Culture and the Past presented by Robin DeRosa of Plymouth University was perfectly timed for the season. Ms. DeRosa dispelled many of the myths and legends surrounding the Salem Witch Trials of the 17th Century.

All programs were well attended, and we plan to continue the programs with all new presenters this year. Check our website for listings, and watch for notices in local news publications and on Chester Public Access Television Calendars.

Other ongoing projects for the Society include reorganizing, and re-cataloging our archives which are now in the balcony of the auditorium of Stevens Hall, were put on hold due to the temporary closure of Stevens Hall from July 2008 through March 2009. We hope to resume this project soon, meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the "off" months (Feb, Apr, June, Aug, Oct) to do so. Much help is needed.

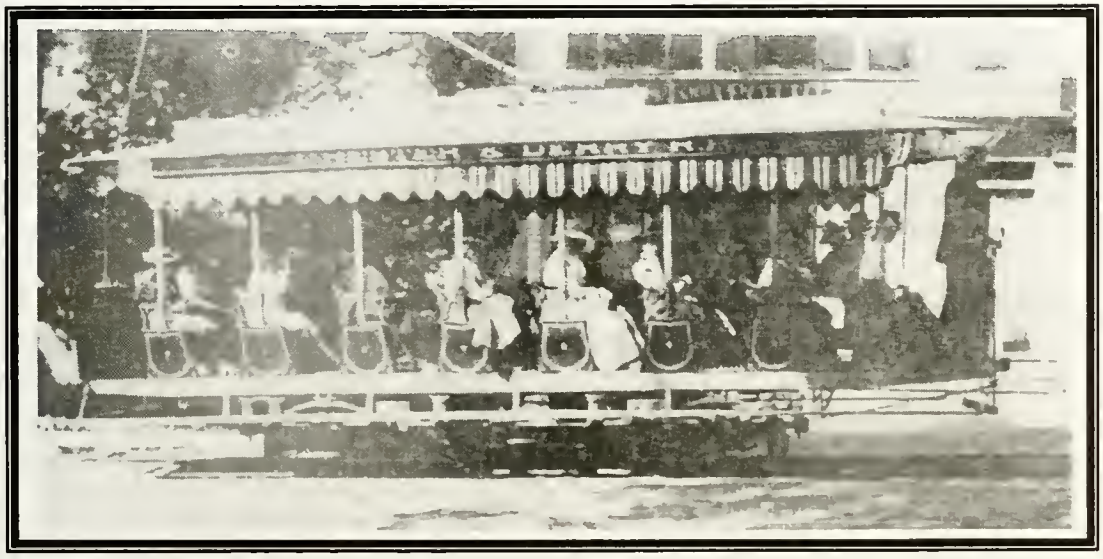
Of course we will look to see you at the Town Fair in September, a time when we will host our celebrated "Village Cemetery Tour." The Society is always very happy to welcome new members. This is a great time to be a member! Please come to our meetings and see, on the 4th Tuesday of every other month (January, March, May, July, September, November), 7:00 PM at Steven's Memorial Hall. Membership is open to all individuals, families. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 26, 2009. For further information visit our website, www.chesterhistorical.org.

Our Annual Meeting and election of officers is on Tuesday, November 17, 2009. This will be my final meeting as President of the Chester Historical Society. While I will remain as a member, it is time for me to turn over the mantle to another member. It has been a pleasure to be at the helm of this organization. I am satisfied that we have been able to maintain a home at Stevens Hall, and create name recognition for this very worthy group. I now look forward to being a "worker bee." This summer, a nomination committee will put together a list of interested candidates for all available officers. Don't be surprised it you get a call!

Respectfully submitted,

Hilary Hall, President — Secretary, Stephanie Allan
Vice President, Colleen Towle — Treasurer, Victor Chouinard
Librarian/Historian, Webster Anderson

Chester Historical Society, P.O. Box 34, Chester, NH 03036
Phone - (603) 887-4545 / Email - chesterhistorical@yahoo.com



Chester & Derry Electric R. R. Time Table

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT, MAY 30, 1925

NORTH BOUND—From Derry WEEK DAYS

Derry	5 50	7 00	7 25	9 10	10 00	11 05	12 00	1 12	2 06	3 25	4 05	5 04	6 00	6 40	7 40	8 25	9 10					
Derry Village	5 56	7 06	7 31	9 16	10 06	11 11	12 06	1 18	2 11	3 31	4 11	5 10	6 05	6 45	7 45	8 30	9 15					
East Derry	6 05			9 23	10 15	11 18	12 15	1 26	2 18	3 38	4 18	5 18	6 15	6 53	7 53	8 38	9 23					
Beaver Lake	6 12			9 30	10 22	11 25	12 24	1 34	2 25	3 45	4 25	5 25	6 20	7 00	8 00	8 45	9 30					
Chester	6 35			9 50		11 47		1 56	2 46	4 05	4 47	5 47	6 40				†9 50					

SOUTH BOUND—From Chester WEEK DAYS

Chester		6 00		8 00		9 50			12 10		2 05	2 50	4 05	4 50	6 00							
Beaver Lake	5 05	6 22		8 22		10 12			12 31		2 25	3 12	4 26	5 11	6 20	7 00	8 00	8 45	9 30			
East Derry	5 12	6 30		8 30		10 20	11 42		12 39		2 32	3 18	4 32	5 18	6 28	7 07	8 07	8 52	9 37			
Derry Village	5 20	6 38	7 10	8 38	9 25	10 26	11 50		12 46	1 55	2 40	3 25	4 40	5 30	6 35	7 15	8 15	9 00	9 43			
Derry	5 26	6 45	7 16	8 45	9 31	10 31	11 56		12 52	2 01	2 46	3 31	4 46	5 40	6 40	7 20	8 20	9 05				

EXPRESS RATES—Small parcels, prepaid, 15c. Trunks 25c.
Time quoted is Eastern Standard Time.

EVENING SCHEDULE ON DANCE NIGHTS
Leave Derry on each hour, twenty and forty minutes past from 6:00 to 10:00
Leave Beaver Lake at ten, thirty and fifty minutes past hour from 6:30 to 10:30
†Saturday Evenings only.
Saturday Evening, 9:10 from Derry goes to Chester.

Chester Kitchen

The Chester Kitchen is a small commercial kitchen that the NH State Bureau of Food Protection has certified for use by commercial food processors. The Town of Chester owns the property, the kitchen of the former Chester Elementary School, and is located in the back of the Multi-Purpose Room at 84 Chester Street. This is a facility that allows any individual or business that is approved for use by the NH State Bureau of Food Protection (BFP), to apply for and maintain a commercial food license with the Chester Kitchen as their address. Chester organizations and residents, who have priority use of the kitchen, have a maintained facility in which to prepare foods for events or for non-profit resale.

From a Commercial User's standpoint, this kitchen is perfect for bakers, personal chefs, and any other type of food product that can be approved by the BFP. The kitchen is ideal for a Chester Resident who has lots of fruit to turn into jam, or wants to do a large volume of cooking for a party or non-profit event. [If you have rented the Multi-purpose Room for an event and wish to rent the kitchen, you must reserve the kitchen separately, (see contacts below)]. Occasional Users are limited to Chester Residents only.

The Kitchen is rented on an hourly basis to licensed processors, and Chester Residents who wish to use the kitchen for their private use. Average hourly use per processor varies, and for FY 2008 is two (2) hours per processor. Three of our licensed processors left the Kitchen in 2008, Green Moose Garden (out of business altogether), and Crooked Birch and Lovin' Spoonful Catering now both have their own commercial kitchens. Only one new processor has joined us, BML Catering, and while others have inquired, they have not yet received their NH Food Service License to be able to use the Kitchen. This is reflected in the hourly use, and fees collected down from previous years.

Chester based non-profit organizations are exempt from rental fees, and a list of those organizations who have used the kitchen to date are located in the policies and procedures handbook which can be accessed on line at www.chesterkitchen.com. During FY 2007, the kitchen was reserved by local organizations on 11 occasions._ To date for FY 2008, it has been reserved by local organizations on 18 occasions.

Fees are collected immediately upon use and turned over to the Town Clerk for receipt. The Town will take no responsibility for training in food service safety, nor will it provide any marketing assistance. Each licensed processor must provide proof of insurance to use the kitchen and to indemnify the town from any liability. All State guidelines regarding food service safety are the responsibility of each processor.

Processors currently licensed to use the facility are:

Wild Roses Market, DBA Chef Michele - Catering
Nancy's Specialty Foods - Seasoned oils, and sauces
BML Catering
Culinary Capers Catering
Scamp's Nuts - Gourmet Chocolate Covered Nuts
Marnita's Asian Kitchen - Catering

This kitchen provides a small revenue stream for the Town with collection of hour rental fees. The administration has decided to make the first increase to the hourly rate since 2002. The hourly rental is now $13 from the former rate of $10. In addition, the administration approved restricting use of the kitchen to those Commercial Users holding a NH Food Service License, or Occasional Users who are Chester Residents only. Kitchen income from Fiscal Year 2007 was $735, and Fiscal 2008 to the time of this report (March 20, 2009) is $319.75.

To reserve the kitchen for your personal or for your organization's use, please call me at 206-4786, or email chesterkitchen@yahoo.com. All you need to know about your responsibilities when using the kitchen can be found in the Chester Kitchen Policies and Procedures Handbook, and the application for use can be found on line at www.chesterkitchen.com.

Hilary Hall, Volunteer Site Administrator

Hugs for Everyone

It's wondrous what a hug can do,
A hug can cheer you when you're blue.
A hug can say, "I love you so"
Or, "Gee, I hate to see you go."
A hug can smoothe a small child's pain
And bring a rainbow after rain.
A hug is "Welcome back again!"
And "Great to see you, where've you been?"

There's no doubt about it,
We scarcely could survive without it.
A hug delights and warms and charms.
It must be why God gave us arms.
Hugs are great for fathers and mothers,
Sweet for sisters, swell for brothers,
And chances are some favorite aunts
Love them more than potted plants.

Kittens crave them.
Puppies love them.
Heads of state are not
above them.
So stretch those arms
without delay
And give someone a
hug today.

Anonymus

Chester Public Library

***Hours*:**
Mon. & Wed. 3-8pm
Tues. & Thurs. 10-8pm
Friday 1-5pm
Saturday 10-12pm*
(Closed Sat. in June, July, & Aug.)
Sunday CLOSED

Staff:
Melissa Rossetti, Director
Raven Gregg
Jane Hanson
Mary Jennings
Mary An Sullivan

Phone: (603) 887-3404
Website: **www.chesterlibrary.com**

Your Public Library was very busy again this past year! We are always striving for new ways to serve Chester's ever-changing population. With the launching of our much anticipated website we are now open 24 hours a day! By visiting **www.chesterlibrary.com** you can check our hours, find out what Museum Passes we offer, follow links to newspaper and educational databases, see what events we have coming up and you can also check our card catalog.

As soon as we enter a material into our system it goes live onto the website so if you don't see something you were looking for, check back tomorrow as we get new items in on a daily basis and we are constantly adding to our collection, which currently consists of over 46,000 materials. These items include the latest adult fiction, DVD's, books on CD for you commuters, popular young adult series and report non-fiction. We have biographies, histories, children's books, magazines and over 8 shelves of cookbooks alone!

During these tough economic times everyone has had to be more vigilant with his or her income. We here to tell you that your library can help. Many of you already take advantage of our services but for those of you, who have had to cancel your magazine subscriptions or your weekly trips to the video store, fear not! Your Library has all these items and more and your Library Card allows you to borrow these items for free! If you haven't gotten your Library Card yet now is the perfect time. There is no cost to Chester Residents and you can use all our services including our Museum Passes and our Internet computers as well.

We here at the Library are ever vigilant as well with our budget and are always looking for opportunities to provide services in a way that is of no cost to us. As such, we were the recipients of two grants this past year. One allowed us to bring you the live animal program that kicked off our Summer Reading Program and the other was a set of laminated historical art posters through the "Picturing America" grant.

We are always looking for new ways to supplement the services we provide and we would like to thank our Friends of the Library organization. Through their fundraising efforts they were able to again donate to us the $600 needed to purchase a yearly pass to the Museum of Science. We thank them for their continued hard work and generosity. We would also like to take this opportunity to extend a BIG thank you to all of our other donors this year. Your contributions help us to provide that little something extra for our patrons that may not otherwise be possible.

To keep up to date on our services, story times and programs, visit our new website at **www.chesterlibrary.com**. You can also check for our announcements in the Tri-Town Times, Melissa's monthly Derry News book column, the Post Office bulletin board, our outside sign and of course all of our events are posted inside the Library as well.

We were thrilled to sign-up so many of you for cards this past year and we hope to see more of you next year!

Board of Trustees:

Peter Leccese, Chair	2009
Linda Heuer, Treasurer	2010
Kandace Knowlton, Secretary	2011
Deb Munson	2011
Mary Beth Ditoro	2009

Chester Senior Citizens

CHESTER
SENIOR CITIZENS
603 Raymond Road
Chester, NH 03036

The Chester Senior Citizens organization has been around now for over 35 years. We started meeting twice each month at Stevens Memorial Hall, on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays with Pot Luck Luncheons on the 1st Thursday, and reserving the 3rd for guest speakers, or an outing. The Chester Senior Citizens' is a membership organization, and we are always welcoming new members! Your $5 membership fee (free for seniors 80+) helps to offset some of our costs (such as supplies, postage, admission to events and/or outings, etc.) In the past 5 years, we have seen our membership grow 30%!

This year of 2009 will complete 6 years of enjoying our home at the Wason Pond Community Center. We have exclusive use of the facility between 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday, Wednesday, and Thursdays, and 9:00 AM – 4 PM on Tuesdays. There is a Senior representative available during those posted hours each day, and you will know we are open by seeing the red, white and blue "OPEN" flag flying from the front porch! We are members of the New Hampshire Association of Senior Centers.

We are always looking for new activities, and currently we offer the following schedule:

- Monday mornings, Tai Chi, afternoon Bingo
- Tuesday, 10-11 is Coffee Hour
- Wednesday mornings are open, and in the afternoon Cribbage
- Thursdays are open for any activity. We have a TV with VCR and DVD, with some movies on hand to watch. We also have two computers with high-speed cable Internet access!

In November 2007, we applied for the NH Senior Wellness Grant in an effort to bring exercise and nutrition classes free to Chester Seniors. We were awarded the full amount of the grant, and classes began on March 3, 2008, and concluded at the end of June. The Exercise Program has been made part of the Chester Recreation Department, and offers 5 six-week sessions. We have applied for another grant to be able to offset the cost to the town, as well as continue the Nutrition Program. These programs are offered free of charge to Chester Seniors, 55+. You may enroll on line at www.chesterseniors.org, or call the Recreation Department at 887-5773.

The Town is very generous to us, not only allowing the use of the Wason Pond Community Center, but also with its annual contribution to our expenses. We plan 6 outings (day trips) annually, and you can imagine that transportation is the most expensive part of planning the outings. We have voted to car pool when the destination is within an hour of Chester (give or take a few minutes), paying the driver of each car for gas (based on miles to destination). Passenger vans are rented when the destination is

an hour and a half or more from Chester, and we continue to rent through Merchant's Motors of Hooksett, as they offer the best rate. We try to negotiate one bus trip annually, and we will be pleased to welcome Pierce Bus Company of Chester to our transportation providers. We preplan all our outings, and our budget to be sure that we can keep the cost of outings as inexpensive for each senior as possible, if not totally cost free. Our outings usually include a bit of history, horticulture, always a lot of fun, and sometimes a real adventure! Our Annual events include:

- Mystery Lunch Date in February
- Annual Picnic in July
- Club Birthday Party in October
- Annual Christmas Party at Stevens Memorial Hall
- December Cookie Walk Fund Raiser

Last year we visited:

- C.R. Sparks in Bedford for lunch, then a tour of Van Otis Candies!
- Aviation Museum at Manchester Airport, Lunch at Airport Diner
- Maine Narrow Gauge Railroad, Lunch at Bull Feeney's, Portland
- NH Farm Museum, Milton with lunch at Gateway Restaurant, Somersworth
- Tour Strawbery Banke, Lunch at the Blue Mermaid Grill
- Winnipesauke Mail Boat, with lunch at Hart's Turkey Farm
- Annual Birthday Party, Saunder's in Rye
- Annual Christmas Party, with entertainment from Jose Duddy, "The man with many voice's"

This year as a result of our membership to the NH Association of Senior Centers, we collaborated with the Salem, Windham, and Londonderry Seniors for a Valentine's Day Luncheon at Castleton in Windham. Jack Knox and Vic Paul provided terrific entertainment, with an hour of dancing, a wonderful lunch, and then their show. This was so successful that we plan to collaborate again for other parties in the future. In addition, this year we will visit:

- Currier Museum of Art
- Harvard Museum of Natural History, Cambridge MA
- Tuck Museum/Hampton Historical Society, Hampton, NH
- St. Gauden's National Historic Site, Cornish NH
- Conway Scenic Railroad
- 19th Century Willowbrook Village
- Annual Christmas Party, with The Silver Lining Chorus from Nashua Senior

The annual contribution from the Town covers all transportation for outings (bus or van rentals, gasoline), the total of the cost of outings (admissions/lunch), or a portion thereof, guest speakers, entertainment at the Christmas Party, and the Annual Birthday Luncheon.

Our newsletter is produced quarterly, and can be found in the lobby of the Town Offices, and on line at www.chesterseniors.org. Copies may be printed from the website. It

includes recipes, book reviews, local news highlights, humor, and more. From our website you can access our annual schedule, ideas for future outings, and our by-laws. Please take the opportunity to visit! We can be contacted by phone, Mon-Thur., 10-4 at 887-5034, by mail to 603 Raymond Road, Chester, or by email at chesterseniors@yahoo.com.

We look forward to meeting and welcoming new Chester Senior Citizens. Many have joined us this past year! We continue to be very grateful to the Town for their Annual contribution to our organization. It is your continued support that keeps us together, mobile, and young!

Respectfully,

The Chester Senior Citizens

Florence Frazier, President
Leslie Packard, Secretary

John Chiaradonna, Vice President
Genevieve Rowell, Treasurer

Wason Pond Community Center
Photo Courtesy of Linda Mansur

Chester Town Fair 2008

Although the threat of an imminent hurricane threatened to cancel the fair, we made it through the day! This was the first year in many, many years that the weather was not forecast to be dry, hot and sunny. Instead we got cloudy, steamy and dripping humidity! The rain did hold off long enough to have the vendors and entertainment take place and then, just as if on cue, the rain poured at 5pm! Graciously, the fire department and fireworks company, American Thunder, agreed to postpone the display until Sunday evening, which worked out well and let the fair extend to a whole weekend affair! We would like to thank the food vendors who chose to come back Sunday evening prior to the fireworks display; it really made the evening festive!

This fair is a lot of work, and it takes a lot of volunteer hours to coordinate. The money from the space rentals and raffles went towards the fair expenses of dumpsters and port-a-potties. The donations collected at the end of the firework display will supplement next year's display as the town appropriates only a portion of the actual cost.

We appreciated everyone's enthusiastic participation whether it was as a volunteer, vendor or simply as a shopper/spectator.

Some highlights of 2008 included:

All-day entertainment was provided by "Diane's Oldies" We thank them for braving the weather conditions, as we had other entertainers scheduled who cancelled fearing the hurricane.

A 5K-cross country race the morning of the Fair at Wason Pond Recreation Area was put on by the Recreation Commission and sponsored by Granite State Telephone. Although the weather conditions were not ideal for running, the event was well attended.

Cow Plop Bingo returned! Spring Hill Farm graciously offered to bring back this event to sponsor the Spring Hill Trust. It was a great success. There was much anticipation as "Daisy" took her sweet time savoring the limelight!

The Historical Society held a cemetery tour and sold some of their Chester items; the Boy Scouts and the Lion's Club were among the vendors keeping the crowds fed all day long.

The 2009 Town Fair is scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2009. Keep an eye on the Town's website: **www.chesternh.org** for more information coming soon.

Public Access Community Television Committee (PACT)

The Public Access Community Television Committee (PACT) exists to ensure that the Franchise Agreement between the Town of Chester and Adelphia (now Comcast) Communications, effective April 1, 2003 through March 30, 2013, operates without incident, and to manage the funds received from Adelphia (now Comcast) as a result of this agreement. Since April 1, 2003, the Town continues to receive franchise fees of subscribers' cable bills (cable TV only, not cable internet per the FCC) in the amount of 1% quarterly. This money is reserved in a special revenue fund, the PACT Fund, and is delegated in thirds, for the maintenance of Public (CTV-21) and Government (CGTV-20), and Education (CETV-22) television.

PUBLIC ACCESS COMMUNITY TELEVISION COMMITTEE (PACT)

The PACT committee meets as needed to review the needs presented to them by CTV-20 & 21, and CETV-22. Town government meetings that have been cablecast on CTV-20 since December 2007. CTV-21 still covers the Public side of local cable access with programming produced locally by CTV-21 by volunteers Dick Godfrey, Hilary Hall, and Lenny Stein, as well as pre-recorded programs received from outside sources, and from our membership in the New Hampshire Coalition for Community Media (www.nhccm.com).

CETV-22, the Education Channel provides live and recorded sports from Chester Academy, other pre-recorded programming, and the monthly School Board Meeting. Their portion of the PACT fund supports equipment expenses that they incur throughout the year. Equipment purchased from PACT funds since April 1, 2003 are the property of the town of Chester, and not exclusive to the Chester School District. Chester Academy has an active Audio/Video Club, and a program coordinator to maintain CETV-22 for the benefit of the Town.

Fortunately this year, there have been no significant equipment purchases, nor upgrades to the operation. The only real expenses have been repayment to the General Fund of telephone, heat and electricity for the CTV-21 & 20 Studio, affirming that Public Access Television in Chester is solely supported through franchise fees.

Public Access Community Television in Chester always welcomes new volunteers. We are happy to guide you through the basic steps to create your own Television Programs. CTV-21 has state of the art digital editing through Avid Express Pro technology that is available for use by volunteers. Some of you videophiles may already have an editing package on your home computers. Please share your "home movies" of an event that you have recorded, or even your summer vacation. If you need some help editing, we will help you. If it is a finished program, we will accept it on a finalized DVD for replay. You may contact us at 887-2288, or email pegtalk@chesterpublicaccess.org.

PACT Committee, Hilary Hall - Chair, Bob Grimm - Co-Chair, Dick & Marge Godfrey, Lenny Stein

Spring Hill Farm Conservation Area

Spring Hill Farm is a town-owned, working farm with 400 acres of fields, ponds and woodlands that was donated in 1996 by Miss Muriel Church. Miss Church realized the impact that the many subdivisions were having on the taxpayers, their associated education cost from the new students, and the loss of open space for the residents to enjoy.

Prior to her death in December of 2001, Miss Church set up a Board of Trustees to oversee the farm's activities and created a small Trust Fund to help defray the daily operational cost associated with the farm. The Trustees are required to use Principal Trust Funds only when necessary and requires unanimous vote by the Trustees.

Currently, the day-to-day operational costs are self-sustaining from rental payments, land leases and the sale of farm-produced products such as hay. Tenants of the farmhouse maintain the property in a clean and orderly fashion, complete minor equipment repairs and perform minor building and fence repairs. The tenant also cares for the farm animals living on the property. The buildings and property belong to the town, not the Trust, and it was agreed upon many years ago by the Selectmen that the town would be responsible for building maintenance and the Trust for its operation.

Photo of Muriel Church

Miss Church had three wishes for the future of her farm; namely:

1) The property be used by the residents of Chester for recreational and educational activities,
2) With help from the town and its residents, the farm continues as a working farm for as long as economically feasible, and
3) The animals on the property, upon her death, are to be allowed to reside on the farm for their natural lives.

Miss Church continued to live on the farm after donating the land to the town and was always pleased to see someone stop by for a visit and that the town and its residents were taking part in its maintenance and repairs. Upon her death, she was content with the knowledge that the town would take every possible step to help ensure that her farm continues to operate, be properly maintained, and that the residents would continue to benefit from her generous gift.

Spring Hill Farm continues to offer unique opportunities to the community; for example, the Trust leases a 10-acre field for Paco Vicunas (similar to Alpacas) and will be leasing a smaller field to a local organic farmer for production of organic vegetables. Successful Blue Bird nesting boxes were installed a few years ago by a local Cub Scout group. Delta Waterfowl (a non-profit environmental group similar to Ducks Unlimited) maintain existing and are installing new duck boxes along waterways on the farm. Many trails are located throughout the property for residents to enjoy with sponsored trail rides by horse riding groups such as the "Derry Trail

Riders". The Trustees are also searching for anyone interested with re-establishing the hay and sleigh rides. This is a community farm and the Trustees would like to see additional agricultural, recreation and education programs. Anyone who has an idea, please do not hesitate to contact one of the Board members or attend a Trustee meeting held the 3rd Wednesday of each month in the Town Office Building at 7:00pm. The Trust believes that every great endeavor must start with an idea.

We do ask that children visiting the farm be supervised; and to protect the privacy of our tenant, please do not enter the farmhouse itself unless invited. Also, let us know if you need to continue activities after dark.

Respectfully submitted,

Spring Hill Farm Trustees

Brad Wamsley, Chair & Treasurer (887-1030)
Chuck Myette, Conservation Commission Rep.
Julia Webb

Spring Hill Farm
Photo Courtesy of Chuck Myette

Wason Pond Commission

Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Area
(Formally known as "Silver Sands Campground")

History

In January of 2003, the Town of Chester purchased 105 acres of land surrounding Wason Pond for the sum of 1.55 million dollars. The land was purchased with conservation funds, which had been set aside for use by the Conservation Commission to purchase properties and conservation easements. The Conservation Commission voted to approve the expenditure in order to acquire the property for mixed conservation and recreational uses.

A seven-person advisory committee oversaw the writing of the conservation easement, which has been placed on the property to protect it from future development or from activities or uses that would be out of keeping with accepted conservation practices. The committee also hired E. Ann Poole to draft a Master Plan for the property. This Plan outlines the development of ball fields, the reclamation and restoration of the shorelines, wetlands, and other environmentally sensitive areas. Once this committee had completed its tasks, it disbanded to be replaced by a Commission.

Membership

The Wason Pond Commission is composed of the following nine members, representing the following groups:

Conservation Commission	Baron Richardson (Chair)	(2- year term)
Conservation Commission	Charles Myette	(1-year term)
Recreation Commission	Bill Lonergan	(2-year term)
Recreation Committee	Bill Chirgwin	(1-year term)
Budget Committee	Chris Hadik	(2-year term)
Board of Selectmen	Mark Harris	(1-year term)
Member at Large	Brad Wamsley	(1-year term)
Alternate 1	Jean Methot	(2-year term)
Alternate 2	George Noyes (Chester Seniors)	(1-Year term)

Mission

The Commission's role is to provide oversight of the Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Area, thus insuring that the Conservation Easement is being followed, the Master Plan is being implemented correctly, and to provide guidance for future projects and activities in and around Wason Pond.

Goals

- Once again a warrant article is being placed before the voters to reconstruct the failing dam at the end of Wason Pond. It is the Commission's goal to see this project through to completion for two reasons; the first being safety issues associated with a collapse of the existing dam, and the second the fact that by raising the head level of the dam, the beach areas and other aspects of Wason Pond will be significantly enhanced in the process.

- The Commission in cooperation with the Recreation Coordinator has scheduled a May cleanup day to removal unsafe and unsightly utilities left over from the days of the campground.

- The Community Center well is also planned for replacement this year with an additional line to be run to the playground for an outdoor drinking fountain. This initiative for the drilling of the well and for the installation of the bubbler comes out of a proposed State Revolving Loan Fund/Grant Award to Chester as part of the President's economic stimulus package.

Photo Courtesy of Linda Mansur

What's happening at Wason Pond?

- 2009 Summer recreation program returns to Wason Pond.
- Chester Field of Dreams committee continues to raise money for ball field construction
- May cleanup
- Chester Academy Cross Country team uses trails to host meets.
- Spring fishing derby

- Summer Luau
- 2nd annual 5k trail race in September
- Walking, swimming, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, kayaking, canoeing, horseback riding, bird watching, Frisbee golf, geocaching, are some of the many activities happening at Wason Pond

Future goals

- Construction of ball fields
- Restoration of the barn
- Trail improvements and shoreline stabilization
- Frisbee (disc) golf course
- Trail grooming for winter trail activities

Wason Pond is a beautiful, natural resource. We are very fortunate to have a multiple-use area such as this that is available for residents to use throughout the year.

The Commission meets on the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Wason Pond Community Center. All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Wason Pond Conservation & Recreation Area Commission

Baron Richardson, Chairman (Conservation)
Chuck Myette (Conservation)
Bill Chirgwin (Recreation)
Bill Lonergan (Recreation)
Brad Wamsley, Member at Large
Jean Methot, Alternate
George Noyes (Chester Seniors)
Chris Hadik (Budget Committee)

Wason Pond Recreation & Conservation Area (Photograph Courtesy of Steve Moltenbrey)

Chester Conservation Commission

The Chester Conservation Commission is a seven-member, all-volunteer board appointed by the Selectmen under the provisions of state RSA 36-A: 2, which allows municipalities in New Hampshire to establish commissions "for the proper utilization and protection of the natural resources and for the protection of watershed resources." This work includes preparing maps or plans, "keeping an index of open space and natural, aesthetic, or ecological areas" within the town in order to obtain information "pertinent to proper utilization of all such areas." The Commission acts as an advisory board to other town, state boards, and agencies involved in land use planning. The Commission responsibility is to conserve and protect natural resources and open space of Chester.

> *The Chester Conservation Commission meets on the first and second Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 PM. The first meeting is a planning meeting only and is not televised. The second meeting is used to review subdivision applications, wetlands permit applications, and other matters presented to the Commission for comment. Both meetings are open to the public and input is encouraged.*

The Conservation Commission members are as follows: Charles Myette, Chairman; Baron Richardson, Jean Methot, Patrick Connelly, Treasurer, and Jennifer Sullivan. Currently the commission is in need of two members

The conservation commission is currently involved in the following activities:

Land Conservation - The Strategic Land Protection Commission (SLPC), voted into existence by town residents in order to better protect open space, is an arm of the Conservation Commission and the two boards work together to educate residents on the advantages of placing conservation easements on their property. Easements on land which limit their future development, and outright purchases of tracts of land are the goal of the SLPC. Funding for these transactions comes from the Land Use Change Tax, which is an assessment of a 10 percent fee on the cost of each house lot on land that was in the State of New Hampshire's Current Use program.

Last year, the SLPC made an offer to purchase a tract of land along the shores of North Pond and Ledge Road. Additionally, they are currently preparing easement documents on the 92 acre Hatton Property on Lane Road and a 30 acre parcel along the Exeter River to protect these lands as a Town forest and a natural area, respectively.

Wetlands Issues – The issue of wetlands continues to be a very sensitive area of concern throughout the Town and how they are protected, abused, and affected by urbanization. Over the past few years, the Conservation Commission has been mapping Chester's Natural Resources which included the mapping of all wetlands two acres and larger and identifying Prime Wetlands within the Chester Town Limits. Prime wetlands are unique wetlands that meet the requirements of the NH Department of Environmental Services classification and are sensitive environments deserving of protection from the effects of urbanization. Some of these areas are home to the Atlantic White Cedars that are 300-500 years old, Blackgum trees, and endangered or protected species such as Spotted or

Blandin turtles. The committee is currently working on mapping and defining potential "prime" wetlands.

Wason Pond – The Commission continues to be an active member of the Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Commission. Two members of the Commission sit on the advisory board. The 105-acre WPCRA was purchased with $1.55 million from the Town's Conservation Fund and is governed by an easement that restricts use to recreation and conservation purposes. This past year the Conservation Commission completed and filed the Conservation easement and management plan for the property.

Easement Monitoring- Every easement purchased by the Town or donated to the Town requires ongoing monitoring by the Commission. It is not enough to say that a parcel of land has an easement; it must also be checked regularly to ensure that the terms of the easement are being upheld. The Town now has about twenty easement properties to monitor.

Mandated Easements - As land that is easy for development becomes used up in Chester, developers are increasingly looking at "marginal" lands that have wetlands and steep slopes for development. When the state approves a subdivision on such land, it typically asks for mitigation in the form of easements elsewhere in the development. As a result, the Town of Chester finds itself with an increasing number of easements that it may or may not necessarily have sought. Almost all of these easements are part of a private lot. As an example, Premiere Estates has five conservation easements – each on a separate lot, the North Pond development area will have two, and the Cedar View development on Ledge Road will have several lots impacted. The Commission reminds any property owner who has a conservation easement as part of their lot that they are

legally bound by the provisions of that easement and can be subject to legal action should they disregard those provisions. Any property owner with such an easement who has questions can contact the Conservation Commission for guidance. Additionally, with Chester's new Open Space Subdivision program 50% of the land must be placed in conservation and must be monitored. This year the Commission has been working with 3 developers preparing conservation easements for subdivisions

Exeter River Local Advisory Committee (ERLAC) - The Exeter River begins as a small stream in the protected Herrick Woods of Chester and gains strength from several tributaries before it tumbles over the dam in downtown Exeter and changes its identity to the tidal Squamscot River. More than 18% of the Exeter River Watershed lies within the Chester Town limits and because of the smaller size of the river near the head waters is more sensitive to change in water quality as a result of urbanization. Over the past 15 years, the impervious surfaces have doubled in Chester increasing runoff to the river. Along the way it passes through the communities of Raymond, Brentwood, Kingston, and Exeter. In order to help ensure the continued good health of this watershed, provide wildlife corridors and infiltrate runoff, a wetland buffer is in place to help filter runoff to the Exeter River corridor where it passes through Chester. ERLAC is a committee made up of members of all the towns through which the Exeter River flows including Chester. The committee is charged with developing a river corridor management plan and advising the DES and riverfront towns on matters affecting the river.

The Chester Conservation Commission contributes $200 annually to ERLAC, and Patrick Connelly represents Chester on the committee. This year ERLAC has contracted an environmental consultant to map the geomorphology of the river to determine sensitive areas to protect.

Town Forests – The Conservation Commission also has the responsibility to manage the Town Forest properties. Currently, we are active in developing easements and management plans for the North Woods, the Hatton property, and the South Woods which have all been approved by the Town as Town Forest. Additionally, we are working with an U.S. Dept. of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation service and a forester to develop and implement an invasive species management plan on these lands as part of a 3-year grant to the Town.

Trails - The Commissions trails sub-committee continues to work to map, maintain, and preserve the Town's bridle paths and hiking/biking trails. A GPS has been purchased by the Commission to help map and track changes to trails in this rapidly changing community. The Commission is working currently with developers and local users of the trails to identify and preserve trails on their property that have been long used by residents. The commission is seeking volunteers to help map Chester's trails.

Future Issues

Development – As Chester continues to develop access to the land formerly used by hikers, hunters and horse riders are slowly disappearing and natural resources are impacted. The Commission hopes that residents will continue to support their efforts to negotiate with developers for easements, protected areas, and concessions that will protect natural resources. Such efforts include the recent preservation of a large buffer along the Exeter River on the Mill Pine subdivision and the protection of several vernal

pools on the Cedar View subdivision. Both of these measures were due to the willingness of the developers to work with the Commission, rather than against it.

Vernal Pools – This year the Commission has been very involved with the Planning Board, NH Department of Environmental Protection, the US Environmental Protection Agency and local developers in establishing guidelines and mitigation practices to help minimize the impacts of development and urbanization on wetlands and, in particular, vernal pools. Vernal pools are those temporary wetlands used by frogs (spring peepers, for example) and other amphibians as breeding grounds in the spring. Vernal pools are not – as some say "every mud puddle in the woods." The criteria for classification as a vernal pool are very detailed. Vernal pools are actually rare; and for that reason, deserve protection. The only protection these pools have is afforded by Table 2 of the town regulations which sets a 25 to 100-ft. buffer around these pools. There is not current State protection for these important natural resources. The loss of these pools spells doom for the species that use them and the loss of one more temporary reservoir for flood runoff waters. The Commission asks residents to support protection of these woodland pools.

Warrant Article for Manure Management – Chester welcomes horse owners; however, horse ownership brings with it an obligation to manage horse and barn waste properly. Back when there were numerous fields and farms in town, the waste could be spread on fields as amendments to the soil. Now, with the disappearance of farms and with fields turning into housing developments, there is less opportunity to dispose of manure in this way. A single horse generates more than a half-ton of manure a year that needs to be disposed of. The State of New Hampshire provides guidelines for disposal and offers grants to horse owners to construct proper storage areas. In an effort to protect water supply wells last year, the Conservation Commission, working with the Chester Health Officer and Planning Board, developed a Warrant Article to regulate setbacks of paddocks and live stock areas from water supply wells similar to septic systems. This year the Commission sponsored a Manure Management Workshop that presented several techniques on manure management, composting and anaerobic digestion for production of methane to produce energy. Over 30 horse owners from farms across NH and VT attended.

Commission Membership – The Commission Meetings are open to the public, and welcomes new members and alternate members who wish to have a hand in the future of Chester and the preservation of its natural resources and rural characteristics. Anyone interested in joining the Commission should contact Chuck Myette at 887-3719.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chester Conservation Commission

Chuck Myette, Chairman
Patrick Connelly, Treasurer
Baron Richardson
Jean Methot
Jennifer Sullivan

Exeter River Local Advisory Committee

The Exeter River Local Advisory Committee (ERLAC) celebrated its 12th year of stewardship of the river and watershed in 2008. The year was marked by productive partnerships with several organizations, including the Rockingham Planning Commission, NH Department of Environmental Services, NH Coastal Program, and NH Estuaries Project. These partnerships provide ERLAC with an opportunity to work with local Conservation Commissions to advocate effectively for the protection of natural resources throughout the watershed.

ERLAC partnered with the Raymond Conservation Commission to hold the seventh annual vernal pool workshop in May. Children and adults waded into woodland pools to identify salamanders, turtles and clusters of frog eggs. Development of forestland threatens vernal pools in every watershed community.

Several ERLAC members spent the summer working with the NH Department of Environmental Services to collect and identify macroinvertebrates in the Exeter River and its tributaries. These intrepid volunteers waded into the water at several locations to capture and identify bugs hiding under rocks in rapid sections of the river. Macroinvertebrates are used as an indication of water quality. ERLAC members are also actively monitoring water temperature and other indicators. Results from these sampling programs will be available in early 2009 on ERLAC's website, **www.exeterriver.org**.

In October, ERLAC partnered with the Great Bay Chapter of Trout Unlimited, NH Fish and Game, and the NH Department of Environmental Services to hold a fly-fishing workshop for children. With Trout Unlimited guides beside them, dozens of kids had an opportunity to learn how to cast and how to catch trout from the Exeter River just below Pickpocket Dam. Staff from the NH Department of Environmental Services also worked with kids and their parents to identify macroinvertebrates found in the river and explain why these creatures are such an important indicator of the impacts of land use on water quality and quantity. A volunteer from NH Fish and Game was also on hand to teach kids how to tie their own fishing flies, rounding out a wonderful day of fishing and learning on the Exeter River.

ERLAC continues to work closely with the NH Department of Environmental Services and the consulting firm Bear Creek on a Geomorphic Assessment of the Exeter River. The consultants and ERLAC members have walked miles and miles of the river corridor identifying erosion and other threats to water quality. ERLAC will be working closely with watershed Conservation Commissions in 2009 on restoration of several of the sites identified.

ERLAC meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Rockingham County Nursing Home in Brentwood. Representatives are needed from Chester. Remember, the River starts here! Please call 778-0885 for more information, or visit **www.exeterriver.org**.

Town of Chester
New Hampshire

2008 Financial Reports *
&
Budget Committee Report
On Proposed Town Operating Budget
for Fiscal Year 2009-2010

***The complete, audited Financial Statements are available, upon request, at Town Offices.**

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

To the Board of Selectmen

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Chester, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the Town of Chester's basic financial statements as listed in the index. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Chester's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Chester, New Hampshire, as of June 30, 2008 and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 2 through 7 and 36 through 39 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplemental information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplemental information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Respectfully submitted,

Mason + Rich, P.A.

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Certified Public Accountants

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As management of the Town of Chester, we offer readers of the Town's Financial Statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information furnished in the financial statements and notes of this report.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets of the Town of Chester exceeded its liabilities at the close of the fiscal year by $15,258,389 (net assets). Of this amount, $1,178,058 (unrestricted net assets) may be used to meet the Town's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors in accordance with the Town's fund designation and fiscal policies.
- The Town's total net assets increased by $413,254.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year the Town of Chester's combined governmental funds reported ending fund balances of $2,885,337 of which 65.9% ($1,900,466) of this total is unreserved and available for use.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, the unreserved fund balance in the General Fund was $1,088,344 or 9.8% of the General Fund's expenditures.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statements. The Town's financial statements are compromised of three components:

1. Government-wide financial statements
2. Fund financial statements
3. Notes to the financial statements

This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-Wide Financial Statements - These statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Assets presents information on all the Town's Assets and Liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the Town's net assets changed during the fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported when the underlying events giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in the future fiscal periods. (For example uncollected taxes and earned but unused compensated absences.)

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The governmental activities of the Town include general government and administration, public safety, development services and culture and recreation.

Fund Financial Statements - A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds - Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on current sources and uses of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term effect of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental fund statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The Town maintains fourteen governmental funds. Data from thirteen of these funds are combined into a single aggregated presentation.

Notes to the Financial Statements – The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

GOVERNMENTAL WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of government's financial position. The Town of Chester's assets exceeded liabilities by $15,258,389.

The largest portion of the Town's net assets (82.5%) reflects its investments in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, equipment, improvements, construction in progress and infrastructure) less any debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide service to citizens; as a result, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

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Town of Chester Net Assets:

	Governmental Activities 2008	2007
Current and Other Assets	$ 8,292,937	$ 8,273,727
Capital Assets (net)	15,560,084	15,982,427
Total Assets	$ 23,853,021	$ 24,256,154
Long Term Liabilities	$ 5,255,977	$ 4,045,721
Other Liabilities	3,338,655	5,365,298
Total Liabilities	$ 8,594,632	$ 9,411,019
Net Assets:		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	$ 12,586,199	$ 12,248,072
Restricted	1,494,132	1,653,732
Unrestricted	1,178,058	943,331
Total Net Assets	$ 15,258,389	$ 14,845,135

Unrestricted Net Assets of $1,178,058 may be used to meet the Town's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Analysis of the Town's Operations

The following table provides a summary of the Town's operations for the year ended June 30, 2008 and 2007. Governmental Activities increased the Town of Chester's net assets by $413,254.

Town of Chester Change in Net Assets:

Revenues	Governmental Activities 2008	2007
Program Revenues:		
Charges for Service	$ 998,376	$ 1,074,397
Operating Grants and Contributions	152,631	134,500
Capital Grants and Contributions	92,767	14,130
Total Program Revenues	$ 1,243,774	$ 1,223,027

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	Governmental Activities 2008	2007
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes		
General Purpose	$ 2,431,371	$ 2,299,367
Education	6,891,198	7,206,375
County	493,852	479,202
Other Taxes	221,187	145,338
Unrestricted Grants and Contributions	246,580	316,119
Interest and Investment Earnings	22,803	259,566
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Capital Assets	-	-
Miscellaneous	6,755	26,559
Total General Revenue	10,313,746	10,732,526
Total Revenue	11,557,520	11,955,553
Expenses:		
General Government	1,044,695	1,200,586
Public Safety	840,502	737,684
Highways and Streets and Sanitation Operations	1,200,779	991,770
Health and Welfare	34,513	30,580
Cultural and Parks and Recreation	509,177	326,873
Intergovernmental:		
School District	6,891,198	7,206,375
County	493,852	479,202
Interest on Long-Term Debt	129,550	153,022
Total Expenses	11,144,266	11,126,092
Increase in Net Assets	413,254	829,461
Net Assets Beginning of Year	14,845,135	14,015,674
Net Assets, End of the Year	$ 15,258,389	$ 14,845,135

Financial Analysis of the Governmental Funds

The focus of the Town of Chester's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's financing requirements. In particular, the unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of governments net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

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At the end of the fiscal year, the Town of Chester's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of $2,885,337. Approximately 65.9% of this total amount ($1,900,466) constitutes the unreserved fund balance. The remainder of the fund balance is reserved to indicate it is not available for new spending because it has been committed 1) to pay for encumbrances ($106,610) and 2) reserved for Permanent Funds Principal ($878,261).

The fund balance at the end of the fiscal year of $2,885,337 maintains a reasonable financial position for the Town.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

Revenues for the fiscal year exceeded the budget by $92,058. Total Town expenditures (including capital outlay) were less than budget by $323,427. The additional revenue, combined with favorable spending, resulted in an excess of actual revenues over expenditures of $436,792 thereby increasing fund balance more than expected.

Capital Assets

The Town of Chester's investments in Capital Assets for its activities as of June 30, 2008 amounts to $15,560,084 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, equipment, vehicles, infrastructure and construction in progress.

The only major capital asset event during the current fiscal year included the following:

Land Additions	$ 78,500

Capital Assets at Year-End Net of Accumulated Depreciation	
Land and Improvements	$ 4,594,531
Buildings and Improvements	4,877,207
Infrastructure	14,041,456
Furniture, Equipment and Vehicles	1,165,566
Construction in Progress	1,533,839
Accumulated Depreciation	(10,652,515)
Total Capital Assets Net of Depreciation	$ 15,560,084

Debt Administration

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town of Chester had a total bonded debt and capital leases payable (including interest) of $3,022,424; all debt is backed by the full faith and credit of the Town government.

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Outstanding Debts at Year-End (Capital Only)

Road Bond	$ 1,470,000
Landfill	
Fire Station	275,000
Conservation	1,200,000
Total	$ 2,945,000

Moodys Investors Service rates the Town of Chester (AAA) for all bonds.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget & Rates

The Town of Chester, located in Rockingham County, allows for easy access to major cities and municipalities with major interstates surrounding its boarders. In Massachusetts including Greater Boston, Haverhill, Lawrence, Lowell & Andover while the New Hampshire communities of Manchester, Nashua, Concord & Portsmouth are all within easy commuting distance. Between the years 1990 to 2006 Chester's population grew 69%.

As of June 30, 2008 New Hampshire's unemployment rate was 4.3%. Rockingham County was also at 4.3%. Both are below the national average of 5.5%.

As a result of the slowing economic factors and rising population, the Town is striving to meet the demands of the community while working within the confines of appropriations for only those items that are truly necessary. The 2008-2009 budget showed a modest increase of 4.5%.

Requests for Information

The financial report is designed to provide our citizens, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Town's finances. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, please contact the Finance Office, 84 Chester Street, Chester, NH 03036, or call (603) 887-4277 or e-mail chesterfindir@gsinet.net.

TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2008

	Governmental Activities	Component Unit
ASSETS		
Cash and Equivalents	$ 4,914,892	$ 51,876
Temporary Investments	-	-
Investments	1,033,694	-
Taxes Receivable	2,294,654	-
Accounts Receivable	14,093	-
Due from Other Governments	638	-
Prepaids	7,840	-
Property by Tax Deed and Title	27,126	-
Capital Assets:		
Land and Improvements	4,594,531	-
Buildings and Improvements	4,877,207	-
Infrastructure	14,041,456	-
Furniture, Equipment and Vehicles	1,165,566	-
Construction in Progress	1,533,839	-
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(10,652,515)	-
Total Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation	15,560,084	-
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 23,853,021	$ 51,876

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The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of This Financial Statement.

TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2008

	Governmental Activities	Component Unit
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	$ 182,061	$ -
Due to Other Governments	13,033	-
Accrued Liabilities	63,616	-
Deferred Revenues	4,997,267	-
Long-Term Obligations:		
Portion Due or Payable Within One Year:		
Obligations Under Capital Lease	60,142	-
Bonds and Notes Payable	535,000	-
Portion Due or Payable After One Year:		
Obligations Under Capital Lease	17,282	-
Bonds and Notes Payable	2,410,000	-
Compensated Absences	37,916	-
Estimated Landfill Postclosure Monitoring Costs Payable	278,315	-
Total Liabilities	8,594,632	-
NET ASSETS		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	12,586,199	-
Restricted for:		
Capital Reserves	145,404	-
Conservation	403,228	-
Permanent Funds: Expendable	67,239	
: Nonexpendable	878,261	-
Unrestricted	1,178,058	51,876
Total Net Assets	$ 15,258,389	$ 51,876

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TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues: Charges for Services	Program Revenues: Operating Grants and Contributions	Program Revenues: Capital Grants and Contributions	Primary Government Net (Expense) Revenue and Change in Net Assets: Governmental Activities	Primary Government Net (Expense) Revenue and Change in Net Assets: Component Unit
Governmental Activities:						
General Government	$ 1,044,695	$ 886,871	$ 24,536	$ -	$ (133,288)	$ -
Fire Department	409,773	1,321	916	-	(407,536)	-
Police Department	430,729	15,663	1,105	-	(413,961)	-
Highways and Streets	1,037,543	-	108,774	-	(928,769)	-
Sanitation Operations	163,236	22,310	2,500	14,267	(124,159)	-
Health and Welfare	34,513	2,231	10,000	-	(22,282)	-
Parks and Recreation	231,027	69,643	-	-	(161,384)	-
Conservation	127,939	-	-	78,500	(49,439)	-
Library	150,211	337	4,800	-	(145,074)	-
Intergovernmental:						
School District	6,891,198	-	-	-	(6,891,198)	-
County	493,852	-	-	-	(493,852)	-
Interest on Long-term Debt	129,550	-	-	-	(129,550)	-
Total Governmental Activities Primary Government	11,144,266	998,376	152,631	92,767	(9,900,492)	-
Component Unit:						
Spring Hill Farm	$ 12,427	$ -	$ 11,083	$ -		$ (1,344)
General Revenues:						
Taxes:						
Property Taxes:						
Levied for General Purposes					2,431,371	-
Levied for Education					6,891,198	-
Levied for the County					493,852	-
Other Taxes					221,187	-
Grants and Contributions Not Restricted to Specific Programs					246,580	-
Interest and Investment Earnings					22,803	1,367
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Capital Assets					-	-
Miscellaneous					6,755	-
Transfers					-	-
Total General Revenues, Special Items and Transfers					10,313,746	1,367
Change in Net Assets					413,254	23
Net Assets, Beginning of Year					14,845,135	51,853
Net Assets, End of Year					$ 15,258,389	$ 51,876

The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of This Financial Statement

TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2008

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$ 4,216,776	$ 649,577	$ 4,866,353
Investments	-	1,033,694	1,033,694
Taxes Receivable	2,294,654	-	2,294,654
Accounts Receivable	6,973	7,120	14,093
Due from Other Governments	638	-	638
Due from Other Funds	113,850	122,934	236,784
Prepaids	340	-	340
Restricted Assets - Cash Equivalents	-	48,539	48,539
Property by Tax Lien and Title	27,126	-	27,126
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 6,660,357	$ 1,861,864	$ 8,522,221

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TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2008

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	$ 172,488	$ 9,573	$ 182,061
Due to Other Governments	-	13,033	13,033
Accrued Liabilities	55,326	-	55,326
Deferred Revenues	5,149,680	-	5,149,680
Due to Other Funds	87,909	148,875	236,784
Matured Compensated Absences	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,465,403	171,481	5,636,884
FUND BALANCES			
Reserved for Encumbrances	106,610	-	106,610
Reserved for Permanent Funds Principal	-	878,261	878,261
Unreserved Reported in:			
General Fund	1,088,344	-	1,088,344
Special Revenue Funds	-	713,163	713,163
Capital Projects Funds	-	31,720	31,720
Undistributed Net Revenues of Permanent Funds	-	67,239	67,239
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	1,194,954	1,690,383	2,885,337
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	$ 6,660,357	$ 1,861,864	$ 8,522,221

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TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE
TO NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
JUNE 30, 2008

Total Governmental Fund Balances	$ 2,885,337
Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Assets Are Different Because of the Following Items:	
Capital Assets Used in Governmental Activities Are NOT Financial Resources and Therefore Are NOT reported in the Funds.	15,560,084
Long-term Liabilities, Including Bonds Payable and Unmatured Compensated Absences, Are NOT Due and Payable in the Current Period and Therefore Are NOT Reported in the Funds.	(3,346,945)
Other Long-term Assets, Such as Property Taxes Not Collected Within Sixty Days of Fiscal Year End, Are NOT Available to Pay for Current-period Expenditures and Therefore Are Deferred in the Funds:	
Property Taxes	144,701
Welfare Liens	7,712
Prepaids	7,500
Net Assets of Governmental Activities - Statement 1	$ 15,258,389

TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Totals Governmental Funds
Revenues			
Taxes	$ 9,946,121	$ 110,800	$ 10,056,921
Licenses and Permits	858,305	-	858,305
Intergovernmental	386,216	-	386,216
Charges for Services	37,667	80,746	118,413
Interest and Dividends	69,779	(46,973)	22,806
Other Revenue	27,098	26,382	53,480
Total Revenues	11,325,186	170,955	11,496,141
Expenditures			
Current:			
General Government	854,431	44,237	898,668
Public Safety	778,550	11,480	790,030
Highways and Streets	432,200	-	432,200
Sanitation	173,398	-	173,398
Health and Welfare	34,513	-	34,513
Culture and Recreation	75,807	282,091	357,898
Conservation	6,605	108,918	115,523
Debt Service:			
Principal	711,931	-	711,931
Interest	133,011		133,011
Capital Outlay	190,255	138,976	329,231
Total Town Expenditures	3,390,701	585,702	3,976,403
Other Governmental Units:			
School District Assessment	6,891,198	-	6,891,198
County Taxes	493,852	-	493,852
Total Other Governmental Units	7,385,050	-	7,385,050
Total Expenditures	10,775,751	585,702	11,361,453
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	$ 549,435	$ (414,747)	$ 134,688

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The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of This Financial Statement

TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Totals Governmental Funds
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Proceeds of Long-Term Bonds	$ -	$ -	$ -
Operating Transfers In	2,129	158,978	161,107
Operating Transfers (Out)	(114,772)	(46,335)	(161,107)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(112,643)	112,643	-
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses)	436,792	(302,104)	134,688
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	758,162	1,992,487	2,750,649
Fund Balances, End of Year	$ 1,194,954	$ 1,690,383	$ 2,885,337

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TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (STATEMENT 2)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	$	134,688
Amounts Reported for Government Activities in the Statement of Activities Are Different Because of the Following Items:		
Governmental Funds Report Capital Outlays as Expenditures. In the Statement of Activities the Cost of Those Capital Outlay Items are Capitalized and the Cost of Those Capitalized Assets is Then Charged Over Their Estimated Useful Lives as Depreciation Expense. This is the Amount by Which Depreciation Expense Exceeded Capital Outlay Expenditures in the Current Period.		(422,343)
The Repayment of Bond and Capital Lease Principal is an Expenditure (Debt Service) in the Governmental Funds. The Repayment of Principal Reduces Long-term Liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets.		711,931
Payment of Interest is Reported as an Expenditure When Due in the Governmental Funds. Interest is Accrued at Year End in the Statement of Activities.		3,462
Revenues Reported in the Statement of Activities That do NOT Provide Current Financial Resources ARE NOT REPORTED as Current Year's Revenues in the Funds Statement:		
Property Taxes		(19,313)
Welfare Liens		2,193
Prepaids		7,500
Some Expenses Reported in the Statement of Activities, Such as Compensated Absences and Estimated Landfill Closure Costs, do NOT Require the Use of Current Financial Resources. Accordingly, They Have NOT Been Reported as Expenditures in the Governmental Funds.		(4,864)
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Funds - Statement 2	$	413,254

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TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2008

	Agency Funds	Private Purpose Trusts
ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$ 56,466	$ 58,916
Prepaid Expense	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 56,466	$ 58,916
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	$ 3,054	$ -
Due to Specific Individuals	53,412	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	56,466	-
NET ASSETS		
Held in Trust for School District	-	58,916
TOTAL NET ASSETS	$ -	$ 58,916

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TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Private-Purpose Trusts
ADDITIONS	
Contributions	$ -
Investment Earnings:	
Interest and Dividends	62
Gain (Loss) on Sale	-
Total Investment Earnings	62
Miscellaneous	50,000
Total Additions	50,062
DEDUCTIONS	
Payments to School District	20,000
Total Deductions	20,000
Change in Net Assets	30,062
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	28,854
Net Assets, End of Year	$ 58,916

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Form F-65 (MS-5)
(6-26-2007)

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

ANNUAL CITY/TOWN FINANCIAL REPORT

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Part I GENERAL FUND - Revenues and expenditures for the period - *Specify*

January 1, 200__ to December 31, 200__
OR
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual		Account No. (a)		Amount (b)
1. Revenue from taxes *(Including state education)*				
a. Property taxes (commitment less overlay plus Section C, line 6,column (c), page 12)		3110	T01	$ 9,985,860
b. State and local taxes assessed for School Districts	6,891,198	4933		
c. Land use change taxes - General Fund		3120	T01	-
d. Land use changes taxes- Conservation Fund		3121	T01	-
e. Resident taxes		3180	T01	-
f. Timber taxes		3185	T01	15,472
g. Payments in lieu of taxes		3186	U99	-
h. Other taxes *(Explain on separate schedule)- BOAT*		3189	T01	-
i. Interest and penalties on delinquent taxes		3190	T01	67,154
j. Excavation Tax (@ $.02 per cu. yd.)		3187	T99	594
k. **TOTAL** *(Excluding line 1b)* →				$ 10,069,080
2. **TOTAL revenues for education purposes** *(This entry should be used by the few municipalities which have dependent school districts only)*				$ -
3. Revenue from licenses, permits, and fees				
a. Business licenses and permits		3210	T99	630
b. Motor vehicle permit fees		3220	T01	809,528
c. Building permits		3230	T99	39,510

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)			
A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)		Amount (b)
3. Revenue from licenses, permits and fees (Continued)			
d. Other licensing and permit taxes	3290	T29	8,637
e. TOTAL →			$ 858,305
4. Revenue from the federal government			
a. Housing and urban renewal (HUD)	3311	B50	$ -
b. Environmental protection	3312	B89	-
c. Other federal grants and reimbursements - *Specify* FEMA	3319	B89	- 27,870
d. TOTAL →			$ 27,870
5. Revenue from the State of New Hampshire			
a. Shared revenue block grant	3351	C30	22,780
b. Meals and rooms distribution	3352	C30	195,929
c. Highway block grant	3353	C46	108,775
d. Water pollution grants	3354	C89	14,267
e. Housing and community development	3355	C50	-
f. State and federal forest land reimbursement	3356	C89	-
g. Flood control reimbursement	3357	C89	-
h. Other state grants and reimbursements - *Specify* Police and Other Grants	3359	C89	16,595
i. TOTAL →			$ 358,346
6. Revenue from other governments			
Intergovernmental revenue - Other	3379	D89	$ -
7. Revenue from charges for services (Exclude inter-fund transfers)			
a. Income from departments	3401	A89	$ 41,519
b. Water supply system charges	3402	A91	-
c. Sewer user charges	3403	A80	-
d. Garbage-refuse charges	3404	A81	-
e. Electric user charges	3405	A92	-
f. Airport fees	3406	A01	-
g. Parking		A60	-
h. Transit or bus system		A94	-
i. Parks and Recreation		A61	-
j. Cemeteries		A03	-
k. Toll Highways		A45	-
j. Other charges	3409	A89	-
k. TOTAL →			$ 41,519

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)			
A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)		Amount (b)
8. Revenues from miscellaneous sources			
a. Special assessments	3500	U01	$ -
b. Sale of municipal property	3501	U11	-
c. Interest on investments	3502	U20	66,751
d. Rents of property	3503	U40	20,470
e. Fines and forfeits	3504	U30	-
f. Insurance dividends and reimbursements	3506	U99	-
g. Contributions and donations	3508	U50	-
h. Other miscellaneous sources not otherwise classified	3509	U99	6,268
i. TOTAL →			$ 93,489
9. Inter-fund operating transfers in			
a. Transfers from special revenue fund	3912		$ -
b. Transfers from capital projects fund	3913		-
c. Transfers from proprietary funds	3914		-
d. Transfers from capital reserve fund	3915		-
e. Transfers from trust and fiduciary funds	3916		1,714
f. Transfers from conservation fund	3917		-
g. TOTAL →			$ 1,714
10. Other financial sources			
a. Proceeds from long-term notes and general obligation bonds	3934		$ -
b. Proceeds from all other bonds	3935		-
c. Other long-term financial sources	3939		-
d. TOTAL →			$ -
11. TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES →			$ 11,450,323
12. TOTAL FUND EQUITY *(Beginning of year)* *(Should equal line B.2f, column b, page 9)* →			$ 758,162
13. TOTAL OF LINES 11 AND 12 *(Should equal line 21, page 8)* →			$ 12,208,485
Remarks			

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)				
B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual	Account No. (a)	Total Expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
1. General government				
a. Executive	4130	E29 $ 30,495	G25 $ -	F29 $ -
b. Election and registration	4140	E89 61,694	G85 -	F89 -
c. Financial administration	4150	E23 208,164	G23 -	F23 -
d. Revaluation of property	4152	E23 91,600	G23 -	F23 -
e. Legal expense	4153	E25 41,157	G25 -	F25 -
f. Personnel administration	4155	E29 77,518	G25 -	F29 -
g. Planning and zoning	4191	E29 74,142	G25 -	F29 -
h. General government building	4194	E31 217,234	G31 -	F31 -
i. Cemeteries	4195	E03 10,262	G03 -	F03 -
j. Insurance not otherwise allocated	4196	E03 36,289	G03 -	F03 -
k. Advertising and regional association	4197	E89 -	G85 -	F89 -
l. Other general government	4199	E89 6,283	G85 -	F89 -
m. TOTAL →		$ 854,838	$ -	$ -
2. Public safety				
a. Police	4210	E62 $ 397,001	G62 $ -	F62 $ -
b. Ambulance	4215	E32 45,000	G32 -	F32 -
c. Fire	4220	E24 271,739	G24 -	F24 -
d. Building inspection	4240	E66 59,431	G66 -	F66 -
e. Emergency management	4290	E89 -	G85 -	F89 -
f. Other public safety (including communications)	4299	E89 5,379	G85 -	F89 -
g. TOTAL →		$ 778,550	$ -	$ -
3. Airport/Aviation Center				
a. Administration	4301	$ -	$ -	$ -
b. Airport Operations	4302	-	-	-
c. Other	4309	-	-	-
d. TOTAL →		E01 $ -	G01 $ -	F01 $ -

Remarks

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)				
B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)	Total Expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction d)
4. Highways and streets				
a. Administration	4311	E44 $ -	G4 $ -	F44 $ -
b. Highways and streets	4312	E44 429,251	G4 -	F44 -
c. Bridges	4313	E44 -	G4 -	F44 -
d. Street lighting	4316	E44 2,947	G4 -	F44 -
e. Toll highways	4,316	E45	G4 -	F45 -
f. Other highway, streets, and bridges	4319	E44 -	G4 -	F44 -
f. TOTAL →		$ 432,198	$ -	$ -
5. Sanitation				
a. Administration	4321	E80 $ -	G8C $ -	F80 $ -
b. Solid waste collection	4323	E81 -	G81 -	F81 -
c. Solid waste disposal	4324	E81 151,295	G81 -	F81 -
d. Solid waste clean-up	4325	E81 -	G81 -	F81 -
e. Sewage collection and disposal	4326	E80 -	G8C -	F80 -
f. Other sanitation	4329	E80 10,208	G8C -	F80
g. TOTAL →		$ 161,503	$ -	$ -
6. Water distribution and treatment				
a. Administration	4331	$ -	$ -	$ -
b. Water services	4332	-	-	-
c. Water treatment	4335	-	-	-
d. Water conservation	4338	-	-	-
Other Water	4339	-	-	-
f. TOTAL →		E91 $ -	G91 $ -	F91 $ -
7. Electric				
a. Administration	4351	$ -	$ -	$ -
b. Generation	4352	-	-	-
c. Purchase costs	4353	-	-	-
d. Equipment maintenance	4354	-	-	-
e. Other electric	4359	-	-	-
f. TOTAL →		E92 $ -	G92 $ -	F92 $ -

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued) B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)	Total Expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
8. Health				
a. Administration	4411	$ -	$ -	$ -
b. Pest control	4414	195	-	-
c. Health agencies and hospitals	4415	18,242	-	-
d. Vital statistics	4140	-	-	-
e. Other health	4419	-	-	-
f. TOTAL →		E32 $ 18,437	G32 $ -	F32 $ -
9. TOTAL expenditures for education purposes *(This entry should be used by the few municipalities which have dependent school districts only)*		$ -	$ -	$ -
10. Welfare				
a. Administration	4441	E79 $ -	G75 $ -	F79 $ -
b. Direct assistance	4442	E67 12,306		
c. Intergovernmental welfare payments	4444	M79 3,770		
d. Vendor payments	4445	E75 -		
e. Other welfare	4449	E79 -	G75 -	F79 -
f. TOTAL →		$ 16,076	$ -	$ -
11. Culture and recreation				
a. Parks and recreation	4520	E61 $ 61,807	G61 $ -	F61 $ -
b. Library	4550	E52 -	G52 -	F52 -
c. Patriotic purposes	4583	E61 6,500	G61 -	F61 -
d. Other culture and recreation	4589	E61 7,500	G61 -	F61 -
e. TOTAL →		$ 75,807	$ -	$ -
12. Conservation				
a. Administration	4611	$ -	$ -	$ -
b. Purchase of natural resources	4612	-	-	-
c. Other conservation	4619	6,605	-	-
d. TOTAL		E59 $ 6,605	G55 $ -	F59 $ -
13. Redevelopment and housing				
a. Administration	4631	$ -	$ -	$ -
b. Redevelopment and housing	4632	-	-	-
c. TOTAL →		E50 $ -	G50 $ -	F50 $ -

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued) B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)	Total Expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
14. Economic development				
a. Administration	4651	$ -	$ -	$ -
b. Economic development	4652	-	-	-
c. Other economic development	4659	-	-	-
d. TOTAL →		E89 $ -	G85 $ -	F89 $ -
15. Debt service				
a. Principal long term bonds and notes	4711	654,534		
b. Interest on long term bonds and notes	4721	I89 126,673		
c. Interest on tax and revenue anticipation notes (BAN)	4723	I89 -		
d. Other debt service charges	4790	E23 63,735		
e. TOTAL →		$ 844,942		
16. Capital outlay (not reported above)				
a. Land and improvements	4901		G85 -	F89 17,117
b. Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	4902		G85 53,508	
c. Buildings	4903			F89 83,535
d. Improvements other than buildings	4909			F89 67,931
e. TOTAL →			$ 53,508	$ 168,643
17. Inter-fund operating transfers out				
a. Transfers to special revenue funds	4912	$ 94,772		
b. Transfers to capital projects funds	4913	-		
c. Transfers to proprietary funds	4914	-		
d. Transfers to capital reserve funds	4915	-		
e. Transfers to expendable trust funds	4916	-		
f. Transfers to nonexpendable trust funds	4918	-		
g. TOTAL →		$ 94,772		

Remarks

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)				
B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)	Amount (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
18. **Payments to other governments**				
a. Taxes assessed for county	4931	$ 493,852		
b. Taxes assessed for precincts/village districts	4932	-		
c. Local education taxes assessed	4933	6,891,198		
d. Taxes assessed for State	4934	-		
e. Payments to other governments	4939	-		
f. TOTAL →		$ 7,385,050		
19. **TOTAL EXPENDITURES** →		$ 10,890,929	$ 53,508	$ 168,643
20. **TOTAL FUND EQUITY** *(End of year)* *(Should equal line B.2f, column c, on page 9 and line 13 on page 3, less line 19 above)* →		$ 1,317,556		
21. **TOTAL OF LINES 19 AND 20** *(Should equal line 13 on page 3)* →		$ 12,208,485		

Part II

This area may be used to provide the detail requested wherever "Explain" or "Specify" is found.

Account number (a)	Item (b)	Amount (c)

Part III GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

Modified Accrual

A. Assets	Account No. (a)	Beginning of year (b)	End of year (c)
1. Current assets			
a. Cash and equivalents	1010	$ 3,418,573	$ 4,216,776
b. Investments	1030	-	-
c. Taxes receivable *(See worksheet, page 12)*	1080	2,423,355	2,120,409
d. Tax liens receivable *(See worksheet, page 12)*	1110	205,182	174,246
e. Accounts receivable	1150	980	4,515
f. Due from other governments	1260	263,505	637
g. Due from other funds	1310	124,508	113,464
h. Other current assets	1400	18,130	9,368
i. Tax deeded property (subject to resale)	1670	5,516	-
j. TOTAL ASSETS *(Should equal line B3)* →		$ 6,459,749	$ 6,639,415
B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
1. Current liabilities			
a. Warrants and accounts payable	2020	$ 231,696	$ 172,487
b. Compensated absences payable	2030	-	-
c. Contracts payable	2050	-	-
d. Due to other governments	2070	-	-
e. Due to school districts	2075	-	-
f. Due to other funds	2080	197,346	92,941
g. Deferred revenue	2220	5,245,043	5,000,088
h. Notes payable - Current	2230	-	-
i. Bonds payable - Current	2250	-	-
j. Other payables	2270	27,502	56,343
k. TOTAL LIABILITIES →		$ 5,701,587	$ 5,321,859
2. Fund equity			
a. Reserve for encumbrances *(Please detail on page 10)*	2440	183,629	106,611
b. Reserve for continuing appropriations *(Detail on page 10)*	2450	-	-
c. Reserve for appropriations voted from surplus	2460	-	-
d. Reserve for special purposes *(Please detail on page 10)*	2490	-	-
e. Unreserved fund balance RESTATED	2530	574,533	1,210,945
f. TOTAL FUND EQUITY →		$ 758,162	$ 1,317,556
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY *(Should equal line A1j)* →		$ 6,459,749	$ 6,639,415

Part IV DETAIL

This section may be used to provide the detail requested wherever "Explain" or "Specify" is found. If additional space is needed, please add extra pages using the following format. Please show the detail and the total for each.

Account number (a)	Item (b)	Amount (c)

Please Detail Reserves from page 9 (Balance Sheet).

Account number (a)	Item (b)	Amount (c)
2440	East Derry Road	2,883
	PC and Printer Purchase and Installation	3,615
	Welfare	1,050
	Stevens Hall	40,135
	Wason Dam	50,939
	911	2,289
	Spring Hill Farm	5,700
		106,611

Part V General Fund

A. PLEASE LIST THE ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS TO AMORTIZE ALL GENERAL OBLIGATION

(Debt as of (enter date)__June 30, 2008_for the ensuing five years)

	Year (a)	Principal (b)	Interest (c)	Total (d)
1.	2009	$ 535,000	$ 104,786	$ 639,786
2.	2010	535,000	85,299	620,299
3.	2011	535,000	65,780	600,780
4.	2012	535,000	45,855	580,855
5.	2013	235,000	25,450	260,450
6. SUBTOTAL (Sum of lines 1-5)		$ 2,375,000	$ 327,170	$ 2,702,170
7. Remaining periods of debt		570,000	36,875	606,875
8. TOTAL →		$ 2,945,000	$ 364,045	$ 3,309,045

Part V	GENERAL FUND (Continued)

D. AMORTIZATION OF LONG-TERM DEBT

Description	Original Obligation	Purpose	Annual installment	Interest rate	Date of final payment	Bonds o/s at beginning of year	Bonds issued this year	Bonds retired this year	Bonds o/s at end of year
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
Landfill Closure	1,066,276		Varies	3%	2009	$ 119,534	$ -	$ 119,534	$ -
Fire Station	499,000		25,000	Varies	2019	300,000	-	25,000	275,000
Conservation Easement	3,000,000		300,000	Varies	2012	1,500,000	-	300,000	1,200,000
Road Reconstruction	2,100,000		210,000	Varies	2014	1,680,000	-	210,000	1,470,000
									-
									-
									-
									-
									-
									-
									-
									-
									-
									-
									-
									-
TOTAL →	→					$ 3,599,534	$ -	$ 654,534	$ 2,945,000
Remarks									

Part VI RECONCILIATIONS

A. RECONCILIATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY

	Amount
1. School district liability at beginning of year *(Account number 2075, column b, on page 9)*	$ -
2. ADD: School district assessment for current year	6,891,198
3. TOTAL LIABILITY WITHIN CURRENT YEAR *(Sum of lines 1 and 2)*	6,891,198
4. SUBTRACT: Payments made to school district	6,891,198
5. School district liability at end of year (line 3 less line 4) *(Account number 2075, column c, on page 9*	$ -

B. RECONCILIATION OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

		Amount
1. Short-term (TANS) debt at beginning of year	61V	$ -
2. ADD: New issues during current year		-
3. SUBTRACT: Issues retired during current year		-
4. Short-term (TANS) debt outstanding at end of year (Lines 1+2-3) *(Be sure to include (TANS) In Account number 2230, column c, page 9)*	64V	$ -

PLEASE REFER TO THE INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPLETE SECTIONS C AND D.

C. ALLOWANCE FOR ABATEMENTS WORKSHEET

	Current year (a)	Prior years (b)	TOTAL (c)
1. Overlay/Allowance for Abatements (Beginning of year) *	$ -	$ (4,500)	$ (4,500)
2. SUBTRACT: Abatements made (From tax collector's report)	(7,500)	(10,544)	(18,044)
3. SUBTRACT: Discounts	-	-	-
4. SUBTRACT: Refunds (Cash abatements)	-	(1,328)	(1,328)
5. ESTIMATED ALLOWANCE FOR ABATEMENTS AT END OF YEAR **	-	(4,500)	(4,500)
6. Excess of estimate (Add to revenue on page 1, line 1a)	$ (7,500)	$ (20,872)	$ (28,372)

* Use overlay amount for column (a) and use last year's balance of line 5, Allowance for Abatements for column b *(see your form from last year)*.

** The amount in column c will go into line 1 (b) for next year's worksheet.

D. TAXES/LIENS RECEIVABLE WORKSHEET

	1080 taxes (a)	1110 liens (b)	TOTALS (c)
1. Uncollected, end of year	$ 2,120,409	$ 178,746	$ 2,299,155
2. SUBTRACT: "Overlay" carried forward as Allowance for Abatements (from Worksheet C, line 5)	-	(4,500)	(4,500)
3. Receivable, end of year *	$ 2,120,409	$ 174,246	$ 2,294,655

** (These amounts are entered on page 9, account numbers 1080 and 1110, column c)*

Part VII SUMMARY OF REVENUES FOR ALL OTHER FUNDS

	Capital projects	Special revenue	Proprietary funds	
			Enterprise	Internal service
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
REVENUE AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
1. Revenue from taxes	T01	T01 $ 115,800	T01	
2. Revenue from licenses, permits, and fees	T29	T29	T29	
3. Revenue from the federal government	B89	B89	B89	
4. Revenue from the State of New Hampshire	C89 -	C89 -	C89	
5. Revenue from other governments	D89	D89	D89	
6. Revenue from charges for services	A91	A91	A91	
(a) Water supply system charges	A80	A80	A80	
(b) Sewer user charges	A81	A81	A81	
(c) Garbage/refuse collection charges	A92	A92	A92	
(d) Electric	A01	A01	A01	
(e) Airport and aviation	A44	A44	A44	
(f) Highway	A45	A45	A45	
(g) Toll facilities	A61	A61 65,311	A61	
(h) Parks and recreation	A60	A60	A60	
(i) Parking	A94	A94	A94	
(j) Transit or bus system	A89	A89	A89	
(k) Other - *Specify*				
(1) Public Safety	A89	A89 15,666	A89	
(2) Library	A89	A89 1,194	A89	
(3) Impact Fees				
7. Revenue from miscellaneous sources				
(a) Interest on investments	U20	U20 5,191	U20	
(b) Other miscellaneous sources	U99	U99 12,358	U99	
8. Inter-fund operating transfers in	-	119,736		
9. Other financial sources	U99 -	U99	U99	
10. TOTAL REVENUE AND OTHER SOURCES	$ -	$ 335,256	$ -	$ -

Part VIII SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES FOR ALL OTHER FUNDS

EXPENDITURES (BY FUNCTIONS)		Capital projects (a)		Special revenue (b)	Proprietary Funds	
					Enterprise (c)	Internal service (d)
1. General government	F89		E89	$ 6,436	E89	
2. Public safety	F89		E89	-	E89	
(a) Police	F62		E62	10,583	E62	
(b) Ambulance			E32	-	E32	
(c)Fire	F24		E24	897	E24	
3. Airport/Aviation Center	F01		E01	-	E01	
4. Highways and streets	F44		E44	-	E44	
5. Toll highways	F45		E45		E45	
6. Sanitation	F81		E81		E81	
7. Water distribution and treatment	F91		F91		E91	
8. Sewerage	F80		E80		E80	
9. Electric	F92		E92		E92	
10. Health	F32		E32		E32	
11. Welfare	F79		E79		E79	
12. Culture and recreation	F61		E61	178,293	E61	
13. Parking	F60		E60		E60	
14. Transit or bus system	F94		E94		E94	
15. Conservation	F59		E59	108,918	E59	
16. Redevelopment and housing	F50		E50		E50	
17. Economic development	F89		E89		E89	
18. Debt service			E23		E23	
19. Capital outlay - other	F89	138,976	F89		F89	
20. Inter-fund operating transfers out						
21. TOTAL EXPENDITURES →		$138,976		$ 305,127	$ -	$ -

Remarks

Part IX BALANCE SHEET FOR SUMMARY OF ALL OTHER FUNDS

	Account No. (a)	Capital projects (b)	Special revenue (c)	Proprietary funds	
				Enterprise (d)	Internal service (e)
A. ASSETS					
1. Current assets					
(a) Cash and equivalents	1010	45,827	490,661		
(b) Investments	1030		50,019		
(c) Accounts receivable	1150		4,195		
(d) Due from other governments	1260				
(e) Due from other funds	1310		115,382		
(f) Other - *Specify*					
2. Fixed assets					
(a) Land and improvements	1610				
(b) Buildings	1620				
(c) Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	1640				
(d) Construction in progress	1650				
(e) Improvements other than buildings	1660				
(f) Other - *Specify*					
3. TOTAL ASSETS →		$ 45,827	$ 660,257	$ -	$ -

Part IX BALANCE SHEET FOR SUMMARY OF ALL OTHER FUNDS (Continued)

	Account No. (a)	Capital projects (b)	Special revenue (c)	Proprietary funds	
				Enterprise (d)	Internal service (e)
B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
1. Liabilities					
(a) Warrants and accounts payable	2020				
(b) Compensated absences payable	2030				
(c) Contracts payable	2050				
(d) Due to other governments	2070				
(e) Due to other funds	2080	14,107	81,119		
(f) Deferred revenue	2220				
(g) Notes and bonds payable					
(h) Other - Specify →					
(i) **TOTAL LIABILITIES** →		$ 14,107	$ 81,119	$ -	$ -
2. Fund equity/Capital					
(a) Reserve for encumbrances	2440				
(b) Reserve for special purposes	2490	31,720	579,138		
(c) Unreserved fund balance	2530	-			
(d) Municipal contributed capital	2610				
(e) Other contributed capital	2620				
(f) Retained earnings	2790				
(g) **TOTAL FUND EQUITY** →		$ 31,720	$ 579,138	$ -	$ -
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY →		$ 45,827	$ 660,257	$ -	$ -

Part X SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION WORKSHEET

A. INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENDITURES

Report payments made to the State or other local governments *on reimbursement or cost-sharing basis.* Do not include these expenditures in Part VIII.

Purpose (a)	Account No. (b)	Amount (c)
Payments made to other local governments for:		
Schools		M12 -
Sewers		M80 -
All other - County	4931	M89 -
All other - Towns	4199	M89 -
Payments made to State for:		
Highways	4319	L44 -
All other purposes	4199	L89 -

B. DEBT OUTSTANDING, ISSUED, AND RETIRED

Long-term debt purpose (a)	Bonds outstanding at the beginning of this fiscal year (b)	Bonds during this fiscal year: Issued (c)	Bonds during this fiscal year: Retired (d)	Outstanding at the end of this fiscal year (e)
Industrial revenue	19T -	24T -	34T -	44T -
All other debt	19U $ 3,599,534	29U -	39U $ (654,534)	49U $ 2,945,000
Interest on water debt	191 -			

C. SALARIES AND WAGES

Report here the total salaries and wages paid to all employees of your city before deductions for social security, retirement, etc. Include also salaries and wages paid to employees of any utility owned and operated by your government, as well as salaries and wages of city employees charged to construction projects. These amounts may be taken from the W3 form filed by your government for the year ended December 31.

Total wages paid
Z00 $ 933,550

D. CASH AND INVESTMENTS HELD AT END OF FISCAL YEAR

Report separately for each of the two types of funds listed below, the total amount of cash on hand and on deposit and investments in Federal Government, Federal agency, State and local government, and non-governmental securities. Report all investments at market value. Exclude accounts receivable, value of real property, and all non-security assets.

Type of fund (a)	Amount at end of fiscal year *Omit cents* (b)
Bond funds - Unexpended proceeds from sale of bond issues held pending disbursement	W31 $ -
All other funds except employee retirement funds and nonexpendable trust funds.	W61 $ 5,038,609

Part XI CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Signatures of a majority of the governing body:

10-14-08

12/14/08

10/15/08

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Three copies of this report are sent to each municipality. Selectmen, treasurer and tax collector are expected to cooperate in making out this report. When completed, one copy should be returned to the Department of Revenue Administration and one copy should be placed in your municipal records. The third copy is for use in preparing the annual printed report for the voters.

Please be sure you have completed Part X, items A-D.

WHEN TO FILE: (RSA 21-J:34, V)

* For cities/towns reporting on a calendar year basis, this report must be filed on or before April 1.

* For cities/towns reporting on an optional fiscal year basis (year ending June 30), this report must be filed on or before September 1.

WHERE TO FILE

Department of Revenue Administration
State of New Hampshire
Municipal Services Division
PO Box 487
Concord, NH 03302-0487

MS9: Report of the Trust Funds of the City or Town o Chester, New Hampshire June 30, 2008

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28-May-18	Albert Kripper	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
15-Apr-19	Joseph Knowles	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
15-Apr-19	Robert & Rebecca Knowles	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
31-Jan-20	Elizebeth I. Kent	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
22-May-22	John S. Emery	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
30-Sep-22	George Wells	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
04-Oct-22	Amos Green	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
30-Nov-23	Moses Pingree	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
31-Jan-24	Daniel Bell	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
13-Mar-23	Silas F. Leamard	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
29-Jun-18	Sereh V. Lane	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
15-Apr-19	John West	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
31-Jan-20	John West 2nd	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
30-Apr-21	Pete Reed Smith	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	84.27		9.38		93.85	0.00	0.01%	6.76	6.76	0.00	93.65	(1.10)	92.55
30-Apr-21	Sally Lovenng Sleeper	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	42.13		4.69		46.82	0.00	0.01%	3.38	3.38	0.00	46.82	(0.55)	46.27
28-Jun-21	Joseph Dane	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
26-Nov-21	Mary E. Bean	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
03-Nov-22	Charles H. Green	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
03-Mar-23	Samuel S. Warren	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
20-Nov-23	Merk Sanborn	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
22-Dec-23	Herbert W. Robie	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.89)	57.85
15-Mar-06	William W. White	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	79.01		8.80		87.81	0.00	0.01%	6.34	6.34	0.00	87.81	(1.03)	86.78
24-Dec-08	Edmund Sleeper	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	47.41		5.28		52.69	0.00	0.01%	3.80	3.80	0.00	52.69	(0.62)	52.07
	Cumulative total			0.28%	2,096.29	0.00	233.46	0.00	2,328.75	0.00		168.11	168.11	0.00	2,328.75	(27.43)	2,302.32

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23-Aug-10	Sareh A. True	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	79.01		8.80		87.81	0.00	0.01%	6.34	6.34	0.00	87.81	(1.03)	86.78
23-Aug-10	Henry Moore	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	63.21		7.04		70.25	0.00	0.01%	5.07	5.07	0.00	70.25	(0.83)	69.42
07-Jul-11	Samuel S. Parker	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	42.13		4.69		46.82	0.00	0.01%	3.38	3.38	0.00	46.82	(0.55)	46.27
16-Feb-16	Charles Stevens	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	63.21		7.04		70.25	0.00	0.01%	5.07	5.07	0.00	70.25	(0.83)	69.42
25-Aug-17	Oren F. Page	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	42.13		4.69		46.82	0.00	0.01%	3.38	3.38	0.00	46.82	(0.55)	46.27
01-Nov-17	David Lane	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	73.74		8.21		81.95	0.00	0.01%	5.91	5.91	0.00	81.95	(0.96)	80.99
05-Jun-28	Amos Hazelton	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	79.01		8.80		87.81	0.00	0.01%	6.34	6.34	0.00	87.81	(1.03)	86.78
06-Apr-28	George Herman Jack	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	63.21		7.04		70.25	0.00	0.01%	5.07	5.07	0.00	70.25	(0.83)	69.42
05-Jun-25	Ephraim Orcutt	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
02-Jan-29	Augustus P. Morse	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.87		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
31-Dec-29	Charles F. True	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
05-Jan-31	French - Heath	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
01-Jan-29	Mary E. Merrill	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.00%	26.34		2.93		29.27	0.00	0.00%	2.11	2.11	0.00	29.27	(0.34)	28.93
01-Jul-31	Hannah M. Sawyer	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.87		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
13-Oct-31	James DeLeskey	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	79.01		8.80		87.81	0.00	0.01%	6.34	6.34	0.00	87.81	(1.03)	86.78
23-May-36	William F. Warren	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.87		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
17-Jun-09	Hannah M. Williams	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.87		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
03-Jun-12	Lot Knowles	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
25-Nov-18	Charles H. Knowles	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.87		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
29-Sep-17	Hills Stevens	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
30-Jun-18	Caroline M. Hall	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
26-Mar-19	Parker Morse	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.87		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
26-Mar-19	George Marden	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
	Cumulative total			0.42%	3,392.00	0.00	377.81	0.00	3,769.81	0.00		271.98	271.98	0.00	3,769.81	(44.38)	3,725.43

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										Balance End Year	Percent	Amount	Expended During Year	Balance End Year			
01-Oct-24	James W. Gordon	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
28-Oct-24	James H. Herdy	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
25-Sep-25	George S. West	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.67		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
23-Dec-08	Luther W. Hall	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	6.45	6.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
31-Oct-11	Charles A. Deerborn	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	6.45	6.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
11-Oct-11	Reverend Charles Tenney	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
30-Aug-18	Joan Hazelton	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
20-Mar-25	Lydra J. Remsey	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
05-Oct-26	Helen F. Soule	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
09-Jun-28	James & J. Albert Hook	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
30-May-30	Arthur I Moore & Herry Roberts	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
03-Aug-32	Cyrus F. Merston	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
09-Oct-33	Gerah	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
09-Jul-34	Lucy Lawrence	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
25-Nov-35	Joseph Webster	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	6.45	6.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
23-Feb-37	Veleria A. Towle	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	6.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
20-Mar-37	Mabel J. Brickett	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
08-May-37	Charles E. Cook	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
14-Aug-37	Moses Webster	Village Cem	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
19-Aug-37	Melvin	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
28-Jan-38	Thomas J. Melvin	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	6.45	6.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
01-Mar-39	Chester Noyes Greenough	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	6.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
29-May-39	E. G. Buffum	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
	Cumulative total			0.71%	5,655.84	0.00	630.02	0.00	6,286.88	0.00		463.64	463.64	0.00	6,286.88	(74.05)	6,212.81

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25-Nov-39	Susie Smith	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
27-Dec-40	George Mackintosh	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
22-Jul-41	Lewis Kimball	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
06-Jun-41	Eva Underhill	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
29-Nov-41	Mary A. Owen	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
07-Oct-42	Mary J. Maple	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
04-May-42	William Greenough	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
15-May-42	Arthur Leighton	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
23-Feb-42	William P. Nichols	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
27-Jul-42	Justine P. Creamer	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
16-Jul-45	Addie F. Watkins	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
20-Mar-55	Leon G. Simonds	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
01-May-20	Village Cemetery	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.13%	1,053.41		117.30		1,170.71	0.00	0.13%	84.47	84.47	0.00	1,170.71	(13.75)	1,156.96
03-May-04	John W. Noyes	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.04%	316.02		35.19		351.21	0.00	0.04%	25.34	25.34	0.00	351.21	(4.13)	347.08
16-Feb-15	Jonathan Pressey	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	47.41		5.28		52.69	0.00	0.01%	3.80	3.80	0.00	52.69	(0.62)	52.07
01-Feb-10	George W. Stevens	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.04%	357.95		39.86		397.81	0.00	0.04%	28.70	28.70	0.00	397.81	(4.67)	393.14
31-Oct-14	Cynthia J. Brown	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.87		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
30-Jun-18	George L. Converse	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
23-Jan-26	Mills E. Wilson	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	263.35		29.33		292.68	0.00	0.03%	21.12	21.12	0.00	292.68	(3.44)	289.24
27-Apr-31	George A. Hosley	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.88		23.48		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
12-Mar-29	John C. Chese	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
28-Jan-32	George F. West	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	194.88		21.70		216.58	0.00	0.02%	15.63	15.63	0.00	216.58	(2.54)	214.04
07-May-32	Mills Family	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
	Cumulative total			**1.25%**	**9,998.68**	**0.00**	**1,113.29**	**0.00**	**11,109.98**	**0.00**		**801.85**	**801.85**	**0.00**	**11,109.98**	**(130.78)**	**10,979.22**

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11-Jan-33	A. H. Wilcomb	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.06%	467.72		52.08		519.80	0.00	0.06%	37.50	37.50	0.00	519.80	(8.11)	513.69
19-Jan-32	John F. & Jennie Green	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
08-Jul-35	Ellen A. Gates	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
23-Oct-37	Fred B. & Alice E. Boyles	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
08-Dec-38	James Marden	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	42.13		4.69		46.82	0.00	0.01%	3.38	3.38	0.00	46.82	(0.55)	46.27
11-Aug-39	Frances L. Hazelton	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
21-Aug-40	Magdalena Robbs	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.66		23.48		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
31-Oct-40	John H. Robie	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
06-Nov-41	Sanborn - Morse	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	263.35		29.33		292.68	0.00	0.03%	21.12	21.12	0.00	292.68	(3.44)	289.24
28-Nov-41	Edward T. Morse	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
22-Aug-42	Isabella C. Clark	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
	Lida E. Crawford	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.04%	316.02		35.19		351.21	0.00	0.04%	25.34	25.34	0.00	351.21	(4.13)	347.08
15-Feb-43	Minnie D. French	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
07-Dec-45	Anna M. Wakefield	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
09-Dec-47	George S. Webster	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.48		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
04-Dec-51	Mansur & Seibert	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	184.35		20.53		204.88	0.00	0.02%	14.76	14.76	0.00	204.88	(2.41)	202.47
01-Apr-52	Ivory J & Sarah J. Lovering John L. Hersom	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
25-Jul-53	Nellie W. Kearns	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	263.35		29.33		292.68	0.00	0.03%	21.12	21.12	0.00	292.68	(3.44)	289.24
24-Sep-53	Nathan W. Goldsmith	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
30-Aug-56	Alma Watts Wheeler	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
20-Nov-58	Orlando H. Underhill	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
23-Jun-59	Myron F. Brown	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
20-Dec-60	Harriette E. & Walter E. Downe	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
	Cumulative total			1.61%	14,483.16	0.00	1,812.92	0.00	16,096.10	0.00		1,181.37	1,181.37	0.00	16,096.10	(189.33)	16,908.77

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12-Jun-61	George D. Rand	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
25-Aug-61	Fred G. Bartlett	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.05%	421.37		46.92		468.29	0.00	0.05%	33.79	33.79	0.00	468.29	(5.50)	462.79
25-Aug-61	Albert M. Hardy	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
25-Aug-61	George Hook	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
06-Feb-62	Robinson - Martin	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	115.88		12.90		128.78	0.00	0.01%	9.29	9.29	0.00	128.78	(1.51)	127.27
05-May-62	Wallace L. Kimball	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	6.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
10-May-63	Elizabeth Mills & Georgia Moulton	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	142.21		15.84		158.05	0.00	0.02%	11.40	11.40	0.00	158.05	(1.86)	156.19
15-May-63	John Wason	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
13-Jun-63	Etta F. Purinton	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
07-May-64	Grant - Starbird	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
02-May-33	Buzzell A. Follansbee	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	63.21		7.04		70.25	0.00	0.01%	5.07	5.07	0.00	70.25	(0.83)	69.42
01-Aug-33	Carlos W. Noyes	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	79.01		8.80		87.81	0.00	0.01%	6.34	6.34	0.00	87.81	(1.03)	86.76
24-Mar-50	William Finnigan	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	6.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
24-Apr-50	Victoria J. Brown	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
15-Jan-54	Moses Tewksbury	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.04%	316.02		35.19		351.21	0.00	0.04%	25.34	25.34	0.00	351.21	(4.13)	347.08
25-Aug-54	Weeks & Forseith	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
20-Oct-55	Rufus Forseith	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	6.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
19-Jan-65	Henry H. & Emeline T. Lane	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
13-May-68	Warren F. Robinson	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
10-Jun-68	Inez Stowe Henderson and Hazel I. Stone	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
27-Jun-68	Hazel Butler Hurd	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
08-Aug-68	Chris Hans Pomp	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
07-Apr-69	Fitts & Hunt	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
	Cumulative total			**2.29%**	**18,307.08**	**0.00**	**2,038.75**	**0.00**	**20,345.83**	**0.00**		**1,467.99**	**1,467.99**	**0.00**	**20,345.83**	**(239.27)**	**20,106.56**

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07-Jul-69	Charles H. Edwards	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
16-Jan-70	Amos E. & Mary A. Hazelton	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.04%	316.02		35.19		351.21	0.00	0.04%	25.34	25.34	0.00	351.21	(4.13)	347.08
20-Feb-53	Farish G. Lewis	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
19-May-71	John F. Robie	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
24-Nov-71	Leon B. Richardson	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
31-May-72	Woodbury Marsters	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
31-May-72	John M. Webster	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
09-May-73	Victor & Perley Spollett	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.04%	316.02		35.19		351.21	0.00	0.04%	25.34	25.34	0.00	351.21	(4.13)	347.08
27-Jun-73	Loren P. Rand	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
23-Aug-73	North Chester Ladies Aid	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.04%	316.02		35.19		351.21	0.00	0.04%	25.34	25.34	0.00	351.21	(4.13)	347.08
16-Nov-73	Adams - Richardson	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	210.68		23.46		234.14	0.00	0.03%	16.89	16.89	0.00	234.14	(2.75)	231.39
21-Nov-75	Margaret L. Ross	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	52.67		5.87		58.54	0.00	0.01%	4.22	4.22	0.00	58.54	(0.69)	57.85
20-Jun-76	Ethel L. Hills	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
02-Jan-68	French Addition	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.09%	755.92		84.18		840.10	0.00	0.09%	60.61	60.61	0.00	840.10	(9.87)	830.23
16-Nov-49	Robert Hazelton	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.18%	1,461.84		162.78		1,624.62	0.00	0.18%	117.22	117.22	0.00	1,624.62	(19.08)	1,605.54
11-Jun-83	Edward J. & Rhoda K. Murphy	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.05%	421.37		46.92		468.29	0.00	0.05%	33.79	33.79	0.00	468.29	(5.50)	462.79
30-Sep-83	Dorothy Everett	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.07%	526.71		58.65		585.36	0.00	0.07%	42.24	42.24	0.00	585.36	(6.88)	578.48
15-Apr-48	John G. Long	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
15-Apr-48	Edwin Jones	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
05-May-48	Osgood Richards	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
29-Sep-49	Preston E. Goodrich	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.02%	158.01		17.60		175.61	0.00	0.02%	12.67	12.67	0.00	175.61	(2.06)	173.55
05-Jul-50	William H. West, Arthur H. West and George West	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.03%	263.35		29.33		292.68	0.00	0.03%	21.12	21.12	0.00	292.68	(3.44)	289.24
19-Oct-50	William A. Moore	Village Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
	Cumulative total			3.13%	25,001.85	0.00	2,784.27	0.00	27,786.12	0.00		2,004.81	2,004.81	0.00	27,786.12	(326.69)	27,459.43

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DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND List first those trusts invested in a common trust fund	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED Whether bank, deposits, stocks, bonds, etc. (If Common trust, so state)	%	Balance End Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or (Losses) on Securities	Withdrawals	Balance End Year	INCOME DURING YEAR Balance End Year	Percent	Amount	Expandad During Year	Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income at End of Year	Unrealized Gain or Losses	Market Value at End of Year
26-Aug-51	George E. Gillingham	Villiage Cem.	Common Trust	0.04%	318.02		35.19		351.21	0.00	0.04%	25.34	25.34	0.00	351.21	(4.13)	347.08
01-May-51	J. Wesley Smith	Villiage Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
02-Sep-58	Arthur M. & Guy Lewrence Basford	Villiage Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
20-Mar-59	Susie M. Gillingham	Villiage Cem.	Common Trust	0.04%	316.02		35.19		351.21	0.00	0.04%	25.34	25.34	0.00	351.21	(4.13)	347.08
13-Jul-79	Austin Lane	Villiage Cem.	Common Trust	0.01%	105.34		11.73		117.07	0.00	0.01%	8.45	8.45	0.00	117.07	(1.38)	115.69
03-Jan-05	Lester Mitchell	Villiage Cem.	Common Trust	0.07%	598.91		66.69		665.60	0.00	0.07%	48.02	48.02	0.00	665.60	(7.82)	657.78
03-May-04	**Village Cemetery Trust**	**Perpetual care of cemetery**	**Common Trust**	**3.32%**	**26,548.83**		**2,956.53**	**0.00**	**29,505.38**	**0.00**		**2,128.88**	**2,128.88**	**0.00**	**29,505.38**	**(346.81)**	**29,158.45**
24-Dec-46	Amos Tuck French Trust	Perpetual care French Plot	Common Trust	0.62%	4,990.88		555.76	0.00	5,546.64	0.00	0.62%	400.20	400.20	0.00	5,546.64	(65.15)	5,481.49
24-Dec-46	Great Hill Cemetery Trust	Perpetual care of cemetery	Common Trust	6.81%	54,458.45		6,064.20	0.00	60,522.65	62,872.32	6.81%	4,366.66		67,239.18	127,761.83	(710.89)	127,050.94
01-Feb-78	Ruth Ray Trust f/b/o Chester Fire Department	Fire Prevention Equipment	Common Trust	0.64%	5,104.63		568.42		5,673.05	0.00	0.64%	409.32	409.32	0.00	5,673.05	(66.63)	5,606.42
04-Mar-83	E. Mackintosh Trust f/b/o Chester Fire Department	Fire Dept. Undesignated	Common Trust	0.13%	1,020.93		113.69		1,134.62	0.00	0.13%	81.67	81.67	0.00	1,134.62	(13.33)	1,121.29
31-Dec-96	Dean T. Leighton Trust fbo Chester Fire Department	Fire Dept Purposes	Common Trust	0.51%	4,076.44		453.93		4,530.37	0.00	0.51%	326.68	328.68	0.00	4,530.37	(53.21)	4,477.16
07-Oct-88	Rhonda A. Murphy Trust f/b/o Chester Fire Department	Fire Dept. Undesignated	Common Trust	13.03%	104,194.00		11,602.49		115,796.49	0.00	13.03%	6,355.00	8,355.00	0.00	115,796.49	(1,360.13)	114,436.36
	Total Trust Funds f/b/o Chester Fire Department				114,396.00	0.00	12,738.53	0.00	127,134.53	0.00		9,173.07	9,173.07	0.00	127,134.53	(1,493.30)	125,641.23
10-Feb-10	George W. Stevens Trust f/b/o Chester Public Library	Public Library	Common Trust	0.04%	350.64		39.05		389.89	0.00	0.04%	28.12	28.12	0.00	389.69	(4.58)	385.11
02-Jan-31	John C. Chese Trust f/b/o Chester Public Library	Public Library	Common Trust	0.06%	515.95		57.45		573.40	0.00	0.06%	41.37	41.37	0.00	573.40	(6.74)	566.66
30-Mar-85	Dr. James Brown School Book Trust Fund	School Library	Common Trust	0.65%	5,159.51		574.54		5,734.05	0.00	0.65%	413.73	413.73	0.00	5,734.05	(67.35)	5,666.70
25-Jan-88	Dorothy Shedd Memoriel Trust f/b/ Chester Public Library	Public Library	Common Trust	0.06%	515.95		57.45		573.40	0.00	0.06%	41.37	41.37	0.00	573.40	(6.74)	566.66
28-Jun-91	Meta M. Lindgren Trust f/b/o Chester Public Library	Public Library	Common Trust	0.06%	515.95		57.45		573.40	0.00	0.06%	41.37	41.37	0.00	573.40	(6.74)	566.66
24-Jan-79	Ruth Ray Trust f/b/o School and Public Libraries	60% Public	Common Trust	29.52%	236,065.19		26,286.97		262,352.16	0.00	29.52%	18,929.44	18,929.44	0.00	262,352.16	(3,081.55)	259,270.61
24-Apr-79	Ruth Ray Trust f/b/o School and Public Libraries	40% School	Common Trust	19.68%	157,376.60		17,524.65	0.00	174,901.45	0.00	19.68%	12,619.57	12,619.57	0.00	174,901.45	(2,054.36)	172,847.09
07-Oct-88	Rhoda A. Murphy Trust f/b/o Chester Public Library	Public Library	Common Trust	13.14%	105,066.76		11,699.68		116,766.44	0.00	13.14%	8,424.99	8,424.99	0.00	116,766.44	(1,371.52)	115,394.92
09-Jul-86	Mary E. Dodge Trust f/b/o Chester Public Library	Public Library	Common Trust	0.64%	5,080.82		565.77		5,646.59	0.00	0.64%	407.42	407.42	0.00	5,646.59	(66.32)	5,580.27
	Total Trust Funds f/b/o Town end School District Library				510,647.55	0.00	56,663.01	0.00	567,510.56	0.00		40,947.38	40,947.38	0.00	567,510.56	(6,665.90)	560,844.66

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1915	Wilcomb Home Trust	Town Poor	Common Trust	0.56%	4,497.67	10,000.00	500.84	10,034.52	4,963.99	0.00	0.56%	360.65	360.65	0.00	4,963.99	(58.71)	4,905.28
1927	Lydie A. Newell Trust	Town Poor	Common Trust	1.72%	13,771.76		1,533.55		15,305.31	0.00	1.72%	1,104.32	1,104.32	0.00	15,305.31	(179.77)	15,125.54
Feb-46	Wilcomb-Townsend Home Trust I	Town Poor	Common Trust	2.30%	18,379.07		2,046.60		20,425.67	0.00	2.30%	1,473.76	1,473.76	0.00	20,425.67	(239.92)	20,185.75
15-Jul-60	Wilcomb-Townsend Home Trust II	Town Poor	Common Trust	0.92%	7,370.27		820.71		8,190.98	0.00	0.92%	591.00	591.00	0.00	8,190.98	(96.21)	8,094.77
08-Feb-48	Wilcomb-Townsend Home Trust III	Town Poor	Common Trust	1.27%	10,146.00		1,129.80		11,275.80	0.00	1.27%	813.58	813.58	0.00	11,275.80	(132.44)	11,143.36
14-Mar-72	Wilcomb-Townsend Home Trust IV	Town Poor	Common Trust	0.65%	5,219.10		581.17		5,800.27	0.00	0.65%	418.50	418.50	0.00	5,800.27	(68.13)	5,732.14
01-Feb-82	Wilcomb-Townsend Home Trust V	Town Poor	Common Trust	0.62%	4,991.92		555.87		5,547.79	0.00	0.62%	400.29	400.29	0.00	5,547.79	(65.16)	5,482.63
09-Feb-84	Wilcomb-Townsend Trust I	Town Poor	Common Trust	2.08%	16,637.40		1,852.60		18,490.00	0.00	2.08%	1,334.15	1,334.15	0.00	18,490.00	(217.18)	18,272.82
05-Feb-83	Wilcomb-Townsend Trust II	Town Poor	Common Trust	0.83%	6,639.73		739.37		7,379.10	0.00	0.83%	532.42	532.42	0.00	7,379.10	(86.67)	7,292.43
1970	Wilcomb-Townsend Drawing Fund	Town Poor	Common Trust	0.13%	1,001.49		111.52		1,113.01	0.00	0.13%	80.31	80.31	0.00	1,113.01	(12.73)	1,100.28
	Total Trust Funds f/b/o Town Poor				88,654.40	10,000.00	9,872.03	10,034.52	98,491.91	0.00		7,108.98	7,108.98	0.00	98,491.91	(1,156.92)	97,334.99
	TOTAL NON-CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS			**100%**	**788,686.11**	**10,000.00**	**89,048.82**	**10,034.52**	**888,711.86**	**82,872.32**	**100%**	**64,126.23**	**69,758.49**	**87,238.18**	**965,950.83**	**(10,438.07)**	**945,511.78**
										0.00							
22-Dec-81	Capital Reserve Chester Police Department	Capital Expenditures	Money Market Funds	0.00%	0.00				0.00	193.87		4.85	75.00	123.72	123.72	0.00	123.72
2000/2001	Capital Reserve Towle Road	Road Repairs	Money Market Funds	0.00%	2,725.00				2,725.00	308.74		105.13	75.00	338.87	3,063.87	0.00	3,063.87
23-Dec-81	Capital Reserve Chester Fire Department	Capital Expenditures	Money Market Funds	0.00%	0.00				0.00	6,941.15		243.10	75.00	7,109.25	7,109.25	0.00	7,109.25
26-May-99	Capital Reserve Town Hall Restoration Fund	Town Hall Restoration	Money Market Funds	0.00%	9,255.79				9,255.79	986.66		356.35		1,343.01	10,598.80	0.00	10,598.80
2001/2002	Capital Reserve School Repairs	School Repairs	Money Market Funds	0.00%	27,375.00	25,000.00		20,000.00	32,375.00	1,478.71		217.22	155.00	1,540.93	33,915.93	0.00	33,915.93
2006/2007	Capital Reserve Municipal Complex Improvement	Capital Expenditures	Money Market Funds	0.00%	20,414.00				20,414.00	324.05		730.30	75.00	979.35	21,393.35	0.00	21,393.35
2006/2007	Capital Reserve Wason Pond Rec Fund	Capital Expenditures	Money Market Funds	0.00%	82,750.00			76,725.00	6,025.00	177.28		1,131.86		1,309.14	7,334.14	0.00	7,334.14
2006/2007	Capital Reserve Winter Road Maintenance Fund	Capital Expenditures	Money Market Funds	0.00%	85,000.00				85,000.00	182.10		3,741.49		3,923.59	88,923.59	0.00	88,923.59
2007/2008	Capital Reserve Mosquito Trapping Fund	Trapping	Money Market Funds	0.00%	0.00	20,000.00			20,000.00	0.00		643.93		643.93	20,643.93	0.00	20,643.93
2007/2008	Capital Reserve Special Education Fund	Special Education	Money Market Funds	0.00%	0.00	25,000.00			25,000.00	0.00		0.00		0.00	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00
	Total Capital Reserve Funds			0.00%	227,519.79	70,000.00	0.00	96,725.00	200,784.79	10,592.56		7,174.23	455.00	17,311.79	218,106.58	0.00	218,106.58
	Grand Total of All Chester Trust Funds				1,027,215.90	80,000.00	89,048.82	106,759.52	1,089,506.44	73,484.88		71,299.46	60,213.49	84,550.97	1,174,057.41	(10,439.07)	1,163,618.34

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# SHARES OR UNITS	DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT Names of Bank, Stock, Bonds, Etc.	PRINCIPAL						INCOME				Grand Total of Principal & Income at End of Year	PAGE 4		
								INCOME DURING YEAR							
		Balance Beginning Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds From Sales	Gains or (Losses) from Sales	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year		Beg of Yr Fair Value	Unrealized Gains	End of Yr Fair Value
25000	Abbotts Labs Notes 5.88%	25,374.38			25,244.25	-130.13	0.00	0.00	399.83	-399.83	0.00	0.00	$ 24,925.00		$ -
40000	AT&T Broadband Corp Bond	39,058.86			44,246.40	5,187.54	0.00	0.00	1,470.28	-1,470.28	0.00	0.00	$ 44,448.00	$ -	$ -
5000	AT&T Global Notes	4,862.16			5,073.70	211.54	0.00	0.00	131.67	-131.67	0.00	0.00	$ 5,018.00	$ -	$ -
625	AT&T Stock	21,149.89			52,833.09	31,683.20	0.00	0.00	493.45	-493.45	0.00	0.00	$ 57,685.00	$ -	$ -
215	Automated Data Processing	0.00	9,183.01		9,133.25	-49.76	0.00	0.00	124.70	-124.70	0.00	0.00		$ -	$ -
332	Bank of America Stock	11,345.00			16,350.74	5,005.74	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	$ 16,231.48	$ -	$ -
7000	Bankers Trust Co Corp Bond 6.7%	6,848.06			6,927.83	79.77	0.00	0.00	184.99	-184.99	0.00	0.00	$ 7,019.90	$ -	$ -
17000	Benkers Trust Co. Corp Bond 7.375%	17,332.00			17,006.97	-325.03	0.00	0.00	390.06	-390.06	0.00	0.00	$ 17,205.70	$ -	$ -
20000	Bell South Corp Bond	20,737.00			20,263.60	-473.40	0.00	0.00	428.67	-428.67	0.00	0.00	$ 20,214.00	$ -	$ -
375	Campbell Soup Co. Stock	10,685.48			13,299.32	2,613.84	0.00	0.00	75.00	-75.00	0.00	0.00	$ 14,553.75	$ -	$ -
21000	Chattanooga VY Corp Bond	10,180.97			19,293.10	8,112.13	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	$ 17,744.58	$ -	$ -
275	ChevronTexico Corp	14,711.07			21,963.91	7,252.84	0.00	0.00	159.50	-159.50	0.00	0.00	$ 23,166.00	$ -	$ -
325	Citigroup, Inc. Stock	15,320.32			18,090.66	2,770.34	0.00	0.00	553.00	-553.00	0.00	0.00	$ 16,669.25	$ -	$ -
21000	CitiGroup Internotes	21,954.00			14,962.77	-6,991.23	0.00	0.00	175.50	-175.50	0.00	0.00	$ 20,518.79	$ -	$ -
425	Congra Foods Inc. Stock	10,697.97			10,867.09	179.11	0.00	0.00	76.50	-76.50	0.00	0.00	$ 11,415.50	$ -	$ -
1094	Del Monte Foods Co Stock	11,638.84			11,530.58	-108.26	0.00	0.00	43.76	-43.76	0.00	0.00	$ 13,303.04	$ -	$ -
250	Diageo PLC, Stock	15,054.77			19,809.69	4,754.92	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	$ 20,827.50	$ -	$ -
325	Dow Chemical Stock	15,552.94			12,785.95	-2,766.99	0.00	0.00	136.50	-136.50	0.00	0.00	$ 14,371.50	$ -	$ -
4000	Dow Chemical Corp Bond 6.125%	4,181.48			4,122.01	-39.47	0.00	0.00	122.50	-122.50	0.00	0.00	$ 4,055.64	$ -	$ -
20000	Dow Chemical Corp Bond 5 45%	20,754.50			19,495.20	-1,259.30	0.00	0.00	569.22	-569.22	0.00	0.00	$ 19,719.80	$ -	$ -
300	Du Pont EIDE NeMour Stock	14,407.44			14,262.32	-145.12	0.00	0.00	111.00	-111.00	0.00	0.00	$ 15,252.00	$ -	$ -
62000	Duke Capital Corp Bond	63,893.92			67,735.00	3,841.08	0.00	0.00	1,956.44	-1,956.44	0.00	0.00	$ 68,811.32	$ -	$ -
25000	Emerson Electric Note 5.0%	25,402.83			24,650.50	-752.33	0.00	0.00	444.44	-444.44	0.00	0.00	$ 24,775.00	$ -	$ -
1600	Ford Motor Company Stock	20,924.00			12,274.85	-8,849.15	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	$ 15,072.00	$ -	$ -
10000	Ford Motor Credit Corp Bond 7.375	10,451.30			9,300.00	-1,151.30	0.00	0.00	235.59	-235.59	0.00	0.00	$ 9,952.20	$ -	$ -
9000	Ford Motor Credit SR Note 5.8%	7,628.92			7,500.00	-128.92	0.00	0.00	284.84	-284.84	0.00	0.00	$ 7,844.72	$ -	$ -
550	General Motors Corp Stock	15,335.73			16,494.24	1,158.51	0.00	0.00	137.50	-137.50	0.00	0.00	$ 20,790.00	$ -	$ -
10000	Ganaral Motors Corp Bond	10,179.40			8,746.90	-1,432.50	0.00	0.00	301.74	-301.74	0.00	0.00	$ 9,936.50	$ -	$ -
18000	Goldman Sachs Corp Bond	17,832.43			18,329.76	497.33	0.00	0.00	325.85	-325.85	0.00	0.00	$ 18,000.00	$ -	$ -
5000	GTE Corp Bond	5,827.50			5,795.30	-32.20	0.00	0.00	136.11	-136.11	0.00	0.00	$ 5,931.15	$ -	$ -
87	Hanes Brands, Inc. - Spinoff from Sarah Lee	0.00			2,305.46	2,305.46	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	$ 2,351.61	$ -	$ -
300	Heinz H J. Co. Stock	10,651.36			13,280.79	2,629.43	0.00	0.00	114.00	-114.00	0.00	0.00	$ 14,241.00	$ -	$ -
25,000	Honeywell Intl, Inc Senior Note	24,892.75			24,426.00	-466.75	0.00	0.00	592.50	-592.50	0.00	0.00	$ 24,322.25	$ -	$ -
15000	Household Finance Corp Bond 6.2%	17,579.42			14,899.20	-2,680.22	0.00	0.00	408.17	-408.17	0.00	0.00	$ 15,073.65	$ -	$ -
18000	Household Finance Corp Bond 7.1%	18,538.82			19,528.30	1,989.48	0.00	0.00	241.40	-241.40	0.00	0.00	$ 18,988.92	$ -	$ -
13000	Household Finance Corp Bond 8.00%	14,314.51			13,457.47	-857.04	0.00	0.00	829.78	-829.78	0.00	0.00	$ 13,884.52	$ -	$ -
21	IDEARC INC - spinoff from Verizon	0.00			641.54	641.54	0.00	0.00	7.19	-7.19	0.00	0.00	$ 741.93	$ -	$ -
425	JP Morgan Chase & Co. Stock	15,349.48			18,428.86	3,079.38	0.00	0.00	161.50	-161.50	0.00	0.00	$ 20,591.25	$ -	$ -
300	Kellogg Company Stock	9,450.15			15,983.75	6,533.60	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	$ 15,537.00	$ -	$ -
425	Merck & Co. Stock	14,693.94			20,868.20	6,174.26	0.00	0.00	161.50	-161.50	0.00	0.00	$ 21,165.00	$ -	$ -
	Merck & Co. Bond 4.75%	37,389.01			35,959.40	-1,429.61	0.00	0.00	862.39	-862.39	0.00	0.00	$ 35,495.80	$ -	$ -
9000	PNC funding Corp Bond	7,894.60			8,000.00	105.40	0.00	0.00	275.00	-275.00	0.00	0.00	$ 8,002.64	$ -	$ -
5000	Providian National Bank	5,000.00			4,804.35	-195.65	0.00	0.00	78.41	-78.41	0.00	0.00	$ 4,929.35	$ -	$ -
250	Public Storage Stock	14,789.39			17,567.23	2,777.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	$ 19,205.00	$ -	$ -
700	Sarah Lee Corp Stock	15,323.85			11,192.82	-4,131.03	0.00	0.00	$ 70.00	-70.00	0.00	0.00	$ 12,180.00	$ -	$ -
34000	SBC Comunications Corp Bond 6.25%	34,382.00			34,646.34	264.34	0.00	0.00	932.64	-932.64	0.00	0.00	$ 34,588.20	$ -	$ -
30000	Sears and Roebuck Corp Bond 6.25%	28,024.00			29,805.00	1,781.00	0.00	0.00	583.33	-583.33	0.00	0.00	$ 29,950.50	$ -	$ -
450	Southern Co. Stock	11,599.93			15,808.25	4,208.32	0.00	0.00	181.13	-181.13	0.00	0.00	$ 15,430.50	$ -	$ -
10000	Southern N.E. Tel Corp Bond 7.125%	10,463.85			10,000.00	-463.85	0.00	0.00	356.25	-356.25	0.00	0.00	$ 10,009.70	$ -	$ -
25000	Stanley Works Notes 4.9%	25,249.97			24,280.50	-969.47	0.00	0.00	381.11	-381.11	0.00	0.00	$ 24,065.25	$ -	$ -
23000	Transamerica Financial Bnd zero cpn	9,061.94			17,289.56	8,227.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	$ 17,036.56	$ -	$ -
8000	Transamerica Financial Corp Bond	7,943.32			7,889.68	-53.64	0.00	0.00	224.71	-224.71	0.00	0.00	$ 8,072.88	$ -	$ -
4000	US West Commun. Corp Bond	3,653.96			3,960.00	306.04	0.00	0.00	61.25	-61.25	0.00	0.00	$ 3,985.00	$ -	$ -
422	Verizion Communications Stock	8,299.42			18,999.03	10,699.61	0.00	0.00	170.91	-170.91	0.00	0.00	$ 17,373.74	$ -	$ -
20000	Verizon N.E. Corp Bond	20,834.00			20,800.00	-34.00	0.00	0.00	570.56	-570.56	0.00	0.00	$ 20,527.40	$ -	$ -

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Report of the Trust Funds of the City or Town of: CHESTER, NH On June 30, 2008

# SHARES OR UNITS	DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT Names of Bank, Stock, Bonds, Etc.	PRINCIPAL						INCOME					PAGE 4		
		Balance Beginning Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds From Sales	Gains or (Losses) from Sales	Balance End Year	INCOME DURING YEAR Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income et End of Year	Beg of Yr Fair Value	Unrealized Gains	End of Yr Fair Value
	Walmart Stores SR Note	30,337 80			29,770.20	-567.60	0.00	0 00	744.17	-744.17	0 00	0.00	$ 29,370.00	$ -	$ -
11000	Wisconsen Energy Corp 6nd	10,986.61			11,248 27	259 66	0.00	0 00	282 03	-282.03	0.00	0 00	$ 11,321.09	$ -	$ -
	Bond Fund of America	0.00	93,167.00		2,304 12		90,862.88	0.00	3,752 18	-3,752 18	0 00	90,862 88	$ -	$ 272.66	$ 91,135.54
	Capital World Growth Fund	0.00	36,231 63		5,474 86		30,756.77	0 00	3,453 83	-3,453 83	0.00	30,756.77	$ -	$ 1,529.51	$ 32,286.28
	Dodge & Cox Income Fund	0.00	$ 96,343 00		2,035.77		96,307.23	0.00	3,932.70	-3,932 70	0.00	96,307 23	$ -	$ 3,129.39	$ 99,436.62
	DWS Core Fixed Income Fund	0 00	87,991.10		1,554 74		66,436.36	0 00	2,892.76	-2,892.76	0 00	66,436.36	$ -	$ 526 13	$ 66,962 49
	Fidelity Advisor Leveraged Co Stock Fund	0 00	20,703.79		2,618 06		16,085.73	0.00	671.97	-671 97	0 00	16,085.73	$ -	$ 3,744.44	$ 21,830 17
	Harbor Bond Fund	0 00	93,167.05		2,366 20		90,800.85	0 00	5,153.65	-5,153.65	0 00	90,800.85	$ -	$ 7,543.92	$ 98,344.77
	Metropolitan West Low Duration Bond Fund	0.00	93,167 05		462 21		92,704.84	0.00	3,977.45	-3,977.45	0 00	92,704 84	$ -	$ (4,095.34)	$ 88,609.50
	Metropolitan West Total Return Bond Fund	0.00	93,167 05		1,467.20		91,699.85	0 00	3,699.14	-3,699 14	0.00	91,699.85	$ -	$ 1,702 62	$ 93,402.47
	MFS Utilities Fund	0 00	67,267 31		7,480 72		59,806.59	0.00	4,946.77	-4,946.77	0 00	59,806 59	$ -	$ 9,110 33	$ 68,916.92
	Pioneer Equity Income Fund	0 00	36,231 63		2,629 80		33,601.83	0 00	2,810 65	-2,810 65	0 00	33,601 83	$ -	$ (1,982.05)	$ 31,619.78
	Pioneer Fund Class A	0 00	82,815.16		6,066.11		74,749.05	0 00	6,563.44	-6,563.44	0 00	74,749.05	$ -	$ (3,856.50)	$ 70,892.55
	Russell MultiStrategy Bond Fund	0 00	82,615 16		1,661 30		80,953 66	0 00	3,718 38	-3,718 38	0 00	80,953 66	$ -	$ 1,953 72	$ 82,907.58
	Russell Real Estate Secs Fund	0 00	41,407 58		4,650 62		36,756.96	0.00	5,194.49	-5,194 49	0 00	36,756.96	$ -	$ (2,057.99)	$ 34,698 97
	Vanguard GNMA Fund	0 00	$ 51,759 47		869.30		50,890 17	0 00	2,139.75	-2,139.75	0 00	50,890.17	$ -	$ 2,935.90	$ 53,826.07
	Washington Mutual Investors Fund	0 00	36,231 63		2,794 83		33,437.00	0.00	2,582 62	-2,582 62	0 00	33,437.00	$ -	$ (3,539.11)	$ 29,897.89
	LPL Money Market Account	44,517 64		0 00	44,517 64		0.00	0 00	131.65	-131 65	0.00	0.00	$ 46,145 24	$ -	$ -
	NWM Money Market Account			20,522 65			20,522.65	0.00	(6,852.77)	6,852 77	0 00	20,522.65			$ 20,522.65
	Income Payments Due 6/30/2007	0 00					0 00	0.00	0	0 00	0 00	0.00	$ (48,112.39)		$ (20.00)
	Income Payments Due 6/30/2007	0 00					0 00	0 00							$ (59,756.49)
	Great Hill Earnings Due	0 00	0.00				0.00	62,872.31	0.00	4,366 66	67,239.17	67,239.17	$ -	$ -	$ -
	ADJUST MS-10 TO MS9 BALANCES	-136,617.77					-99,680 97	0.00	0 00	0.00	0 00	-99,660.96	$ -		$ -
	TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	799,696.11	1,023,668 62	20,522 65	1,081,182.45	89,049 92	886,711.65	62,872.31	64,125 23	-59,758.37	67,239.17	955,950.83	1,011,626.91 =matches 2007	16,917.63	945,511 76
	Capital Reserve - Police - Acct #1378	0 00				0 00	0 00	193 87	-70.15	0 00	123.72	123.72	$ 193 67	$ -	$ 123.72
	Capital Reserve - Towle Road - Acct #1394	2,725.00					2,725.00	308.74	30.13	0.00	338.67	3,063.67	$ 3,033.74	$ -	$ 3,063 87
	Capital Reserve - Fire Dept - Acct #1473	0.00	0.00			0 00	0.00	6,941 15	168.10	0.00	7,109 25	7,109.25	$ 6,941.15	$ -	$ 7,109 25
	Capital Reserve- Town Hall Rest Acct#0890	9,255 79					9,255 79	986 66	356.35	0 00	1,343 01	10,598 80	$ 10,242.45	$ -	$ 10,598.80
	Capital Reserve - School Repair - Wachovia	27,375.00		25,000 00	20,000 00		32,375 00	1,478.71	62.22	0 00	1,540 93	33,915 93	$ 28,853.71	$ -	$ 33,915.93
	Capital Reserve - Municipal Complex Imp Fund	20,414 00					20,414 00	324 05	655.30	0 00	979.35	21,393.35	$ 20,738.05	$ -	$ 21,393 35
	Capital Reserve - Wason Pond Rec Fund	82,750 00			76,725 00		6,025 00	177.26	1,131.86	0.00	1,309 14	7,334.14	$ 82,927.26	$ -	$ 7,334.14
	Capital Reserve - Winter Road Maintenace	85,000.00					85,000 00	182.10	3,741.49	0 00	3,923 59	88,923.59	$ 85,182.10	$ -	$ 88,923.59
	Capital Reserve - Mosquito Trapping Fund	0 00		20,000 00			20,000 00	0 00	643 93	0.00	643 93	20,643 93	$ -		$ 20,643 93
	Capital Reserve - Special Education Fund	0.00		25,000.00			25,000 00	0.00	0.00	0 00	0.00	25,000.00	$ -		$ 25,000 00
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	227,519.79	0 00	25,000.00	96,725 00	0 00	200,794.79	10,592 56	6,719 23	0.00	17,311.79	218,106 58	238,112.35	0.00	218,106.58
	CAPITAL RESERVE + TRUST FUNDS	1,027,215 90	1,023,668 62	45,522 65	1,177,907 45	89,049 92	1,089,506.44	73,464 87	70,844.46	-59,758 37	84,550 96	1,174,057.41	1,249,939.26	16,917.63	1,163,618 34

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Levy Year: 2008 Year Starting: 07/01/07 Cutoff Date: 06/30/08 Tax Authority: Consolidated Authorities

UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEGINNING OF YEAR		LEVY FOR YEAR OF THE REPORT	PRIOR LEVY YEARS 2007	2006	2005...
PROPERTY TAXES		XXXXXXXXXXXX	2392300.49	0.00	0.00
RESIDENT TAXES		XXXXXXXXXXXX	0.00	0.00	0.00
LAND USE CHANGE		XXXXXXXXXXXX	30500.00	0.00	0.00
YIELD TAXES		XXXXXXXXXXXX	115.00	0.00	0.00
UTILITIES		XXXXXXXXXXXX	0.00	0.00	0.00
GRAVEL TAX		XXXXXXXXXXXX	0.00	0.00	0.00
EXCAVATION TAX		XXXXXXXXXXXX	440.00	0.00	0.00
BETTERMENT TAX		XXXXXXXXXXXX	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTEREST		XXXXXXXXXXXX	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -RESIDENT TAX		XXXXXXXXXXXX	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -OTHER TAXES		XXXXXXXXXXXX	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER CHARGES		XXXXXXXXXXXX	0.00	0.00	0.00
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR					
PROPERTY TAXES	#3110	5000088.00	4798838.00		
RESIDENT TAXES	#3180	0.00	0.00		
LAND USE CHANGE	#3120	22600.00	72700.00		
YIELD TAXES	#3185	9948.00	5524.00		
UTILITIES	#3189	0.00	0.00		
GRAVEL TAX	#3187	0.00	0.00		
EXCAVATION TAX	#3188	592.00	0.00		
BETTERMENT TAX		0.00	0.00		
OTHER CHARGES		0.00	0.00		
OVERPAYMENT					
PROPERTY TAXES		3601.80	80633.92	0.00	0.00
RESIDENT TAXES		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LAND USE CHANGE		0.00	0.14	0.00	0.00
YIELD TAXES		0.00	1.43	0.00	0.00
UTILITIES		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GRAVEL TAX		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EXCAVATION TAX		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BETTERMENT TAX		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTEREST		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -RESIDENT TAX		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -OTHER TAXES		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER CHARGES		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COLLECT.INT.-LATE TAXES	#3190	13.16	37978.40	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -RESIDENT TAX	#3190	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -OTHER TAXES	#3190	0.00	17144.00	0.00	0.00
COSTS BEFORE LIEN	#3190	0.00	2348.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL DEBITS		5036842.96	7438523.38	0.00	0.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FORM MS-61

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REMITTED TO TREASURER	LEVY FOR YEAR OF THE REPORT	PRIOR LEVY YEARS 2007	2006	2005...
PROPERTY TAXES	2881221.11	7047926.53	0.00	0.00
RESIDENT TAXES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LAND USE CHANGE	15000.00	103200.14	0.00	0.00
YIELD TAXES	9700.78	5525.43	0.00	0.00
UTILITIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GRAVEL TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EXCAVATION TAX	82.00	421.06	0.00	0.00
BETTERMENT TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTEREST	12.22	26497.37	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -RESIDENT TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -OTHER TAXES	0.00	16230.00	0.00	0.00
CONVERSION TO LIEN	100.94	229892.35	0.00	0.00
COST NOT LIENED	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER CHARGES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ABATEMENTS MADE				
PROPERTY TAXES	0.00	8830.50	0.00	0.00
RESIDENT TAXES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LAND USE CHANGE	7500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
YIELD TAXES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
UTILITIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GRAVEL TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EXCAVATION TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BETTERMENT TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTEREST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -RESIDENT TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -OTHER TAXES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER CHARGES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	2817.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
UNCOLLECTED TAXES #1080				
PROPERTY TAXES	2119651.69	0.00	0.00	0.00
RESIDENT TAXES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LAND USE CHANGE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
YIELD TAXES	247.22	0.00	0.00	0.00
UTILITIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GRAVEL TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EXCAVATION TAX	510.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BETTERMENT TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTEREST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -RESIDENT TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENALTIES -OTHER TAXES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER CHARGES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	5036842.96	7438523.38	0.00	0.00

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DEBITS

DEBITS	LAST YEAR'S LEVY (2007)	PRIOR LEVY YEARS 2006	2005	2004...
UNREDEEMED LIENS -BEG. OF YEAR	0.00	168783.89	40898.26	0.00
LIENS EXECUTED DURING YEAR	229993.29	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTEREST & COSTS	4096.88	11738.36	10890.69	0.00
TOTAL DEBITS	234090.17	180522.25	51788.95	0.00

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	LAST YEAR'S LEVY (2007)	PRIOR LEVY YEARS 2006	2005	2004...
REDEMPTIONS	100252.55	106060.69	36448.83	0.00
INTEREST & COSTS #3190	2826.58	12635.70	11186.51	0.00
ABATEMENTS OF UNREDEEMDED TAX	1713.11	0.00	0.00	0.00
LIENS DEEDED TO MUNICIPALITY	6098.46	6345.67	4153.61	0.00
UNREDEEMED LIEN BAL #1110	123199.47	55480.19	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	234090.17	180522.25	51788.95	0.00

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a)? Yes

TAX COLLECTOR's SIGNATURE: Barbara L. Gagnon DATE: 8/20/08

Town Clerk's Report
of Collected Fees for
Fiscal Year 07/01/2007 – 06/30/2008

GL Account	Description	Debit	Credit
01-1010-1-001	Cash	$815,855.43	
01-3210-4-001	UCC Filings		$ 630.00
01-3220-2-001	6265 Motor vehicles& Titles		809,527.53
01-3220-2-003	Due Interware		818.40
01-3290-1-001	452 Dog Licenses & Fines		3,011.50
01-3290-3-001	Marriage License		270.00
01-3290-5-001	Vital Records Copies		436.00
01-3509-1-001	Miscellaneous		1,192.00
		Grand Totals $815,885.43	$815,885.43

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara L. Gagnon
Chester Town Clerk

Report of the Budget Committee
Fiscal Year 2009-2010

To the Citizens of Chester:

The Budget Committee is pleased to provide this report to the residents and taxpayers in Chester summarizing our activities in developing this fiscal year 2009-2010 proposed Budget Committee operating budget for the Town of Chester. As most of us in town are aware our economy is in the midst of a fundamental change.

The Budget Committee is keenly aware of the series of "bubble economies" that have burst. The simultaneous down turn in both our real estate and the financial and credit markets are impacting both the private and public sectors. As this translates into the highest unemployment rates in decades we are all feeling the impact as more and more Americans see losses in their incomes.

In New Hampshire, real estate taxes on our homes and commercial properties, and tax on the registration of Motor Vehicles, remain the primary sources for local government revenues. As we considered the budget this year, the Committee thought it would be prudent to consider the effect of a potential shortfall in revenues available from the State and possible Federal sources, as well as the increasing financial tax pressure on the taxpayers.

The purpose of the Budget Committee is to provide an independent oversight and review of proposed appropriations from the various town departments which are funded with your tax dollars. Such inquiry includes what we believe is reasonable expectation of the taxpayers for justification in both need and value on a yearly basis. Those that understand the process will agree that not all requests and perceived needs are 100% satisfied. The Budget Committee, nevertheless, is confident that it developed a budget that is fair and serves the needs of Chester residents through the end of June 2010 and its potential impact on years to come.

Against this backdrop, the Budget Committee spent many hours considering and reconsidering budget requests. Our recommendation on the Town operating budget is $259,000.00 less than what the Selectmen would like to have you approve. Further, our view of fiscal needs is quite different when it comes to Warrant Articles. The Budget Committee is supporting Warrant Articles in the amount of $291,000.00 as opposed to the Board of Selectmen recommendation of $2,400,000.00. We differ both in our conservative fiscal approach as well as our concern about the prudence of increasing personnel and equipment during a time of questionable revenue streams.

Comparison of the Recommended Budget vs. Current Budget

The Budget Committee has recommended a lower budget than last year. There are two major driving factors for this. The first is that two years ago voters established a Winter Reserve Maintenance Fund and funded it with $85,000. This money was to be made available to the Road Agent to supplement his plowing, salt and sand budget in the event of an unusually severe winter.

Last year, the voters were mistakenly led to believe that they were voting to "replenish" the fund with $85,000. In fact, the original $85,000 that was raised by taxes and deposited into that fund the previous year was never spent. Thus, the fund now has grown to $180,000 with accrued interest. The Budget Committee's position is that half of this money, $85,000, should be spent down from the Winter Maintenance Reserve Fund. The Selectmen should fund the Road Agent from the Winter Maintenance Reserve Fund, if the plow line in the Budget Committee recommended Operating Budget of $65,000 is exceeded, during the upcoming year for winter maintenance. This would still leave approximately $90,000 in the Winter Maintenance Reserve Fund in the event of a severe winter.

Second, the town paid off some of its long-term debt of approximately $65,000. The Budget Committee made a conscious effort not to maintain level spending and automatically supplant this by supporting new expenditures. These two factors alone account for $150,000 of the $265,000 decrease in this year's Budget Committee Operating Budget. The bulk of the remainder of the Committee's recommended decrease is in the General Government Departments. Examples of proposed reductions are in the amounts of funding for the Building Inspector and Planning Board's lines due to decreased construction activity. The Budget Committee is recommending our town undertake the same kind of "belt tightening" the rest of the nation is undergoing, only nowhere near to the same extent.

Comparison between the Recommended Budget of the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen's Recommended Budget

The Budget Committee has also recommended a lower budget than the Selectmen. Again there are two major factors that resulted in this $259,000 difference in the operating budget (not including warrant articles.). This first, as mentioned earlier, is the reduction in the Road Agent's plow line. This Committee's position is that the inadvertent overfunding of the Winter Maintenance Reserve Fund this past year should be used to reduce these costs during the coming fiscal year.

The second major factor that reduced the Budget Committee's recommended budget is the removal of two additional full time police officers from the Police Department's operating budget request for the coming fiscal year. The Budget Committee is of the position that adding two new police officers should be on two separate warrant articles, each to be voted on by the citizens.

The Board of Selectmen would like these new positions to be part of the upcoming larger operating budget. However, the Budget Committee recommendation is that new employment positions should, as in the past, be approved by the voters first. This recommended change moved $135,000 out of the operating budget. These two items alone account for 75% of the difference between the two budgets.

Budget Committee Methodology

The Budget Committee's budget takes into account previous years' spending as well as this year's actual spending. The Budget Committee obtained updated monthly expenditures throughout our analysis and met or offered to meet with each department. Sometimes, budget requests were submitted in writing. Other times, such as for the larger departments, particularly the Public Safety (Fire and Police) as well as the Road

Agent's Department, the Budget Committee met with department heads several times. The Budget Committee made decisions on information that was submitted.

The Budget Committee, as we have in the past, required actual estimates and some documentation showing reasonable proof of needs. The Budget Committee considered the surpluses that the Town has experienced in recent years and whether those surpluses were likely to repeat this year. As of April, 2009 the Committee projected a $120,000.00 surplus for this current fiscal year. The Committee considered that one-time expenditures, such as from the ice storm, skewed spending lines upward but that the same would result in reimbursement to the town from the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA).

The Budget Committee has taken the position that the voters should know what they are voting to spend their money on. In keeping with that theme, the Committee requires that large capital items or new employment positions should be placed in separate warrant articles so that their costs are clear to the voter, as opposed to being lost within a $3 million dollar budget where such an item may not be so clear.

Understanding that new employees carry a substantial cost in both their salary and benefits package; and will become a long-term cost, once adopted, it becomes imperative that voters should decide through the ballot process on accepting or rejecting the warrant article authorizing new hires. In the case of new employees, should the warrant article be voted affirmatively by the voters, those employees become part of the Operating Budget in the following fiscal year.

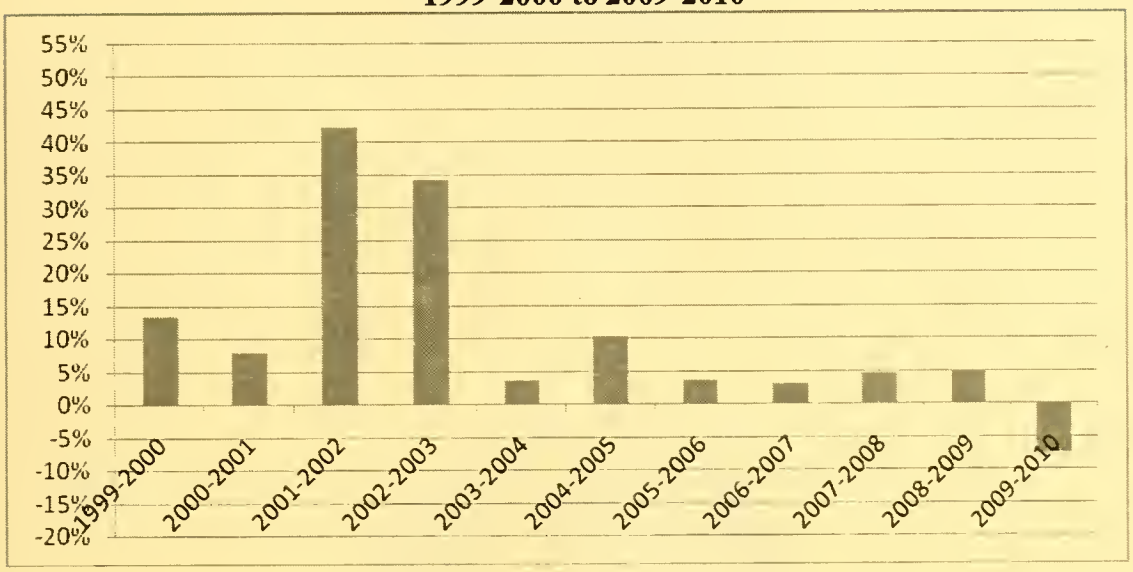
The Budget Committee analyzed and determined that approximately 70 items within the Town's budget could be reasonably adjusted or reduced. Removing the two (2) new full time police officers from the Operating Budget and forcing their placement on two separate warrant articles and the reduction of the plow line in the Highways and Roads, previously discussed above, constitute some of the significant differences between budgets.

The Selectmen's budget on the surface appears to be level with past years. In reality, because of the $85,000 replenishment in the Winter Maintenance Reserve Fund and a $65,000 reduction in debt service, it actually represents a significant increase in spending at a time when most individuals and governments are challenged to even maintain funding current spending levels.

The Budget Committee also continues to insist on being able to communicate with the taxpayers. Five years ago, the residents of Chester chose to install an oversight committee (the Advisory Committee became an Official Budget Committee pursuant to the Municipal Budget Act.) Without one, the town regularly experienced significant percentage increases while not even knowing how and what amount the Town had in reserve. In the past five years that the Town has had an official Budget Committee, the average growth rate of Town spending has been approximately 5%, whereas in the five years prior to the official Budget Committee, the average growth rate was 19.8%.

The following chart demonstrates the dollar and percentage change in the town budget since 2000. The percentage rates are derived from a review of the actual town budgets in Chester Town Reports produced since fiscal year 1999-2000.

Town of Chester New Hampshire
Budget Percentage Growth
1999-2000 to 2009-2010



Town Revenues

The Committee has undertaken a review the Town's anticipated revenues. In the past, underestimating revenues contributed to higher taxes. Underestimating revenues resulted in increases to the general fund's unreserved fund balance (the town's reserve).

The Committee is of the opinion that this sort of activity can lead to a false sense of wealth, and provides a disincentive to build the reserve for better fiscal management of expenses, rather than by under budgeting revenues, unintentionally or not.

Conclusion

In conclusion, it has been our privilege to again provide our recommendations, based upon our analyses undertaken this year. We remain accessible for your questions and comments. The Committee will be prepared to speak to the operating budget and warrant articles at the Town Meeting.

Voters are reminded that although anyone can make an amendment to the operation budget warrant article, the overall amount appropriated cannot exceed the total of 10% of the Budget Committee's recommended operating budget and warrant articles *less* bonds, most notes and mandatory assessments.

Respectfully Submitted.

Thomas LaPorte, Vice Chairman

On behalf of the Chester Budget Committee

Town of Chester
New Hampshire

2009 Proposed Warrant & Budget

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State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Chester, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Chester Municipal Offices in said Chester on Tuesday, the twelfth (12th) day of May next, at 8:00 AM to act on Articles 1-3. The polls will close at 7:00 PM. After the ballots are counted, the Meeting will continue on Wednesday, May thirteenth (13th) at 7:00 PM in the Chester Multipurpose Room. Article 4 through Article 29 will be taken up at that time.

Article #1. To choose all necessary Town Officials for the ensuing year.

Article #2

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #1** as proposed by the Planning Board for the town-zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Amend the Town of Chester Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend certain sections of Article 6.14 "Affordable Housing Requirements," to comply with new R.S.A.'s 674:58 and 674:60 governing "Workforce Housing" which will take effect on July 1, 2009; amend Section 6.4 "Definitions" by adding the term "Multi-Family Housing" and defining said term in accordance with new R.S.A. 674:58; amend Section 6.5 "Permitted Uses" by redefining what constitutes a "multi-family dwelling" in accordance with new R.S.A. 674:58; and amend Article 2 – "Definitions", Section 2.38, by renaming and redefining "Multi-Family (Dwelling) Housing" in accordance with new R.S.A. 674:58.

Article #3

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #2** as proposed by the Planning Board for the town-zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Article 16 – Groundwater Protection

Amend Article 16 – Groundwater Protection by adding to Section 16.3 Definitions the terms "Loam" and "Topsoil" and defining said terms, and renumber subsequent sections, and amend Subsection 16.6.9 by reducing the depth of loam or topsoil required from six (6) inches to four (4) inches.

Special Warrant Article #4

(Passage of this Article shall override the 10 percent limitation imposed on this appropriation due to the non-recommendation of the Budget Committee.)

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million, four hundred thousand dollars ($1,400,000) for the reconstruction of 6/10 of a mile of East Derry Road and paving of 4/10 of a mile of the rest of said road, and for replacement of culverts on both Edwards Mill Road and Halls Village Road and other necessary road construction in Town and to further authorize the issuance of not more than one million, four hundred thousand dollars ($1,400,000) of bonds and/or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA Chapter 33:8), and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate, such bonds and/or notes to determine the rates of interest thereon, and to authorize the Selectmen to accept any funds from the State of New Hampshire, the Federal Government and private sources, as they may become available.

Fees paid to the NH Bond Bank and legal fees associated with the bond are included.

(2/3 ballot vote required)

(Selectmen Recommend)

(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend)

Special Warrant Article #5

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventeen thousand, eight hundred seventy-five dollars ($17,875) for the purpose of drilling a new well and installing a drinking fountain in the vicinity of the playground and parking area at the Wason Pond Community Center and further to authorize the issuance of not more that seventeen thousand, eight hundred seventy-five dollars ($17,875) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Ch.33) and authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon through the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund created for this purpose and further raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand, eight hundred thirty-three dollars and thirty cents ($3833.30) for the first year's payment on said note and to apply for, accept and expend any federal, state, or other grants for this project and to take any other action necessary to carry out this vote. It is anticipated that by participating in the DES Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund, 50% of the principal balance on the loan authorized by this Article will be forgiven.

(Tax Impact 0.04 cents)

(2/3rds ballot vote required)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends)

Special Warrant Article #6

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a six-year lease/ purchase agreement for one hundred ninety thousand dollars ($190,000) for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a Rescue Truck for the Chester Fire Department payable over a term of 60 months. There will be no payment in 2010. The first payment of forty-five thousand seven hundred thirty-seven dollars ($45,737) will be made in 2011; the last payment will be made in 2015. The lease/purchase will contain an escape clause.

(No Tax Impact Year 1)
(Tax Impact 0.08 cents Year 2-6)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend)

Special Warrant Article #7

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-seven thousand, one hundred twenty-one dollars ($67,121) to hire a new full-time officer for the Chester Police Department [with a salary of thirty-five thousand, three hundred sixty dollars ($35,360) per year, health insurance costs of twenty-four thousand, seventy-seven dollars ($24,077), a New Hampshire Retirement match of four thousand, four hundred eighty-four dollars ($4,484) and a full uniform and equipment cost of three thousand, two hundred dollars ($3,200)], said hiring to be conditioned upon the Selectmen receiving a grant for 100% of the officers salaries and benefits from the COPS Hiring Recovery Program Federal Grant which, if awarded, would provide salary and benefits for three (3) years and require the Town to retain the position awarded under the Grant for a period of one year (12 months) following the conclusion of grant funding.

(Tax Impact 0.01 cents - Uniform & Equipment)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends)

Special Warrant Article #8

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-seven thousand, one hundred twenty-one dollars ($67,121) to hire a second new full-time officer for the Chester Police Department [with a salary of thirty-five thousand, three hundred sixty dollars ($35,360) per year, health insurance costs of twenty-four thousand, seventy-seven dollars ($24,077), a New Hampshire Retirement match of four thousand, four hundred eighty-four dollars ($4,484) and a full uniform and equipment cost of three thousand, two hundred dollars ($3,200)], said hiring to be conditioned upon the Selectmen receiving a grant for 100% of the officers salaries and benefits from the COPS Hiring Recovery Program Federal Grant which, if awarded, would provide salary and benefits for the officer for three (3) years and require the Town to retain the position awarded under the Grant for a period of one year (12 months) following the conclusion of grant funding.

(Tax Impact 0.01 cents - Uniform & Equipment)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend)

Article #9

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of three million, one hundred seventy-nine thousand, nine hundred eighty-nine dollars ($3,179,989) for the support of Town government for the payment of salaries and for the payment of statutory obligations of the Town. This article does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles.

4100	General Government	$1,096,248
4200	Public Safety	643,216
4300	Highway, Streets, Bridges, Sanitation	575,528
4400	Health & Welfare	56,257
4500	Culture & Recreation	165,649
4600	Conservation & Economic Development	4,789
4700	Debt Service	638,302
4900	Capital Outlay	0
	Total Appropriation	**$3,179,989**

Special Warrant Article #10

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-nine thousand dollars ($39,000) to purchase a generator for the Fire Department and authorize the withdrawal of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars ($17,500) from the Capital Reserve Fund established for that purpose in 2008 and further to authorize the withdrawal of five thousand dollars ($5,000) from the Planning Board Offsite Account established in 1996 and designated for that purpose. The balance of sixteen thousand five hundred dollars ($16,500) is to come from general taxation.

(Tax Impact .03)

(Selectmen Recommend)

(Budget Committee Recommends)

Special Warrant Article #11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) for the purchase and installation of two generators at the town offices, an 80 Kw generator and a 50 Kw generator, in order to power the Chester Municipal Complex to include the Police Station and Multi-purpose Room for use as an Emergency Shelter.

(Tax Impact .09)

(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends)

Special Warrant Article #12

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred ninety-two thousand dollars ($292,000) for the repair of the Wason Pond Dam.

(Tax Impact .51)

(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend)

Special Warrant Article #13

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars ($33,000) to purchase and fully equip a new police cruiser, and authorize the withdrawal of sixteen thousand five hundred dollars ($16,500) from the capital reserve fund established for that purpose. The balance of sixteen thousand five hundred dollars ($16,500) is to come from general taxation.

(Tax Impact .03)

(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends)

Special Warrant Article #14

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand two hundred two dollars ($10,202) for the purpose of purchasing five automated external defibrillators for the Chester Fire Department and authorize the Selectmen to accept and expend the Samuel Hunt Foundation Grant in the amount of five thousand one hundred and one dollars ($5,101). The balance of five thousand one hundred and one dollars ($5,101) to be raised by taxation.

(Tax Impact .02)

(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends)

Special Warrant Article #15

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ninety-five thousand dollars ($95,000) to purchase a 90 hp four-wheel drive close cab tractor with attachments for the Highway Department in order to maintain roads in the Town.

(Tax Impact .17)

(Selectmen Do Not Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend)

Special Warrant Article #16

If Article #4 is not accepted, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred thousand dollars ($400,000) for the replacement of culverts on Edwards Mill Road and Halls Village Road. If Article # 4 passes, this warrant article shall become null and void.

(Tax Impact .70)

(Selectmen Do Not Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend)

Special Warrant Article #17

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the establishment of a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the future revaluation of the Town in 2011 and to raise and appropriate twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) towards that purpose and to further designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this Fund.

The constitution and statutes of the State of New Hampshire require that property subject to a tax based on value be revalued at least every five years. The Town last completed a Statistical Update in 2006 and is scheduled for assessment review in 2011.

(Tax Impact .04)

(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends)

Special Warrant Article #18

Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the North Pond Road and Route 102 Intersection Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of funding an engineering study and raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00) to be placed in this fund and further appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this Fund.

(Tax Impact .02)

(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend)

Special Warrant Article #19

Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the Recreation Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of funding all recreation projects outlined in the Capital Improvements Program and raise and appropriate the sum of one dollar

($1.00) to be placed in this fund and further appoint the Chester Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this Fund.

(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend)

Special Warrant Article #20

Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of funding road projects outlined in the Capital Improvements Program and raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00) to be placed in this fund and further appoint the Chester Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this Fund.

(Tax Impact .02)

(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend)

Article #21

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate one hundred nine thousand, one hundred sixty-nine dollars ($109,169) for road improvement programs to be recommended by the Highway Department and approved by the Board of Selectmen and authorize the Selectmen to accept and expend the Highway Block Grant in the amount of one hundred nine thousand, one hundred sixty–nine dollars ($109,169) to offset this appropriation.

(Total Tax Impact .00)
(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Does Not Recommend)

Special Warrant Article #22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand, eight hundred forty-five dollars ($5,845) for the purpose of providing public, educational, and government access television in the Town of Chester. Said funds to be withdrawn from the Special Revenue Fund

established as the "PACT" Fund (Warrant Article 29, May 14, 2003), separate from the General Fund.

(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends)

Special Warrant Article #23

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars ($40,000) to replace four boilers and repair the boiler room in the Chester Municipal Complex. This sum to come from the unreserved fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation.

(Tax Impact .00)

(Selectmen Recommend)
(Budget Committee Recommends)

Article #24

Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five-year lease with the United States Postal Service for 1862 square feet on the first floor of the Ruth Ray Building with appropriate curtilage on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen determine are in the best interests of the Town.

Article #25

Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a lease with Gary and Sharon Welch for the amount of one dollar ($1.00) per year for Town-owned land on Map 17, Lot 7, (for use as a driveway) for as long as the present occupants reside on said property or 10 years whichever is less.

Article #26

To see if the Town will adopt the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the common foundation for incident management, coordination and support activities. If NIMS is adopted, all Town departments, offices and agencies responsible for managing and/or supporting incident response and disaster operations shall incorporate into their planning, training, and

operations the NIMS as prescribed by the United States Department of Homeland Security and the Town would officially adopt ICS (Incident Command System) for command and control of all incident response operations.

(Total Tax Impact $0)

Article #27

Shall the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5 V-a to require all votes of the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee relative to budget items or warrant articles be recorded votes and that the numeric tally on such vote be printed in the Town Warrant next to the affected warrant article?

Article #28

Submitted by Citizens' Petition

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue that portion of Bald Hill Road pursuant to RSA 231:43 being that portion that runs from Lane Road northeasterly to the Raymond Town line, bounded on the northwest by Tax Map 12 Lot 3 and the southeast by Tax Map 12 Lots 5 & 5-1 and further to authorize the Selectmen to convey the discontinued portion of the road to the abutting landowners.

Article #29

To transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.
(Selectmen recommend)

Chester Board of Selectmen

James Hassam, Chair

Stephen O. Landau

Jack Cannon, Vice Chair

Mark Harris

Robert E. Brown

Town of Chester
Budgeted Revenues Summary

	2008-2009 BOS Revenues	2008-2009 BC Revenues	2009-2010 BOS Revenues	2009-2010 BC Revenues
Property Tax Revenue	$0	$0	$0	$0
Land Use Change Taxes	$0	$0	$0	$0
Yield Taxes	$5,000	$5,000	$15,472	$15,472
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	$0	$0	$0	$0
Excavation Tax	$0	$0	$592	$592
Penalties and Interest	$39,000	$39,000	$63,805	$63,805
Business Licenses and Permits	$1,000	$1,000	$700	$700
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	$700,700	$700,700	$800,000	$800,700
Heating Permits	$2,500	$2,500	$3,000	$5,000
Building Permits	$36,386	$36,386	$17,530	$17,530
Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	$5,860	$5,860	$7,750	$7,750
Federal Funds via State	$22,780	$22,780	$22,780	$22,780
Revenue From State of NH	$329,130	$329,130	$312,669	$312,669
Local Government Reimbursements	$0	$0	$0	$0
Revenue From Charges For Services	$25,430	$25,430	$17,550	$17,750
Revenue From Miscellaneous Sources	$143,760	$143,760	$79,722	$82,248
Other Financing Sources	$1,200	$1,200	$5,845	$5,845
Total before Prop. Tax & Bonds	**$1,312,746**	**$1,312,746**	**$1,347,415**	**$1,352,841**
Revenues, Funds & Credits Related to Recommended Warrant Articles	$0	$0	$1,635,244	$165,898
General Fund	**$1,312,746**	**$1,312,746**	**$2,982,659**	**$1,518,739**

Town of Chester
Anticipated Revenues

		08/09	08/09	09/10	09/10
		BOS	BC	BOS	BC
Account Number	Account Description	Budgeted	Budgeted	Budgeted	Budgeted
Property Tax Revenue					
01-3110-1-001	Prop Tax Revenue Current Year				
01-3110-1-002	PROP Tax Revenue - Prior Year				
01-3110-1-003	PROP Tax Overpayments				
01-3110-1-004	Overlay	0	0	0	0
	Property Tax Revenue	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Land Use Change Taxes					
01-3120-1-001	CU Taxes - Current Year				
01-3120-2-001	CU - Taxes Previous Year	0	0	0	0
	Land Use Change Taxes	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Yield Taxes					
01-3185-1-001	Yield Taxes Current Year	5,000	5,000	15,472	15,472
01-3185-2-001	Yield Taxes Prior Year	0	0	0	0
	Yield Taxes	**5,000**	**5,000**	**15,472**	**15,472**
Payment in Lieu of Taxes					
01-3186-1-001	Payments in Lieu of Taxes	0	0	0	0
	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Excavation Tax					
01-3187-1-001	EXC-Excavation tax .02/YD Curr			592	592
01-3187-2-001	EXC-Excavation Tax .02/Yd Prio				
01-3187-2-010	07 Excavation Tax				
01-3187-2-011	00 Excavation Tax				
01-3187-2-013	02 Excavation Tax				
01-3187-2-014	03 Excavation Tax				
01-3187-2-015	04 Excavation Tax				
01-3187-2-016	05 Excavation Tax				
01-3187-2-016	06 Excavation Tax	0	0	0	0
	Excavation Tax	**0**	**0**	**592**	**592**
Penalties and Interest					
01-3190-1-000	**Delete This Acct.**				
01-3190-1-001	99 Property Tax Interest				
01-3190-1-002	00 Property Tax Interest				
01-3190-1-003	01 Property Tax Interest				
01-3190-1-004	02 Property Tax Interest				
01-3190-1-005	03 Property Tax Interest				
01-3190-1-006	08 Property Tax Interest	20,000	20,000	0	0
01-3190-1-007	05 Property Tax Interest				
01-3190-1-008	06 Property Tax Interest				
01-3190-1-009	07 Property Tax Interest	10,000	10,000	0	0
01-3190-1-100	Tax Sale Interest & Costs				
01-3190-1-101	Sale of Town Property				
01-3190-2-001	Penalties on Resident Tax				
01-3190-3-001	Int. on Land Use Change Tax				
01-3190-3-002	00 Current Use Fees & Int				
01-3190-3-007	06 Current Use Interest				
01-3190-3-006	05 Current Use Interest				
01-3190-4-001	Int. on Late Yield Tax				
01-3190-5-001	Excav Tax Interest				
01-3190-6-000	06 Tax Lien Interest	3,000	3,000	0	0
01-3190-6-001	98 Tax Lien Interest				
01-3190-6-002	99 Tax Lein Interest				
01-3190-6-004	07 Tax Lien Interest	6,000	6,000	0	0
01-3190-6-005	02 Tax Lien Interest				
01-3190-6-006	03 Tax Lien Interest				
01-3190-6-007	04 Tax Lien Interest				
01-3190-6-000	05 Tax Lien Interest				
01-3190-9-999	TX Miscellaneous Revenue	0	0	0	0
	Penalties and Interest	**39,000**	**39,000**	**63,805**	**63,805**

Town of Chester
Anticipated Revenues

Account Number	Account Description	08/09 BOS Budgeted	08/09 BC Budgeted	09/10 BOS Budgeted	09/10 BC Budgeted
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
Business Licenses and Permits					
01-3210-1-001	Business Licenses				
01-3210-2-001	Business Permits				
01-3210-3-001	Business Filing Fees				
01-3210-4-001	TX UCC Filings & Certificates	1,000	1,000	700	700
	Business Licenses and Permits	**1,000**	**1,000**	**700**	**700**
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees					
01-3220-1-001	MV - Permits Decals				
01-3220-2-001	MV - TC Permits	700,000	700,000	800,000	800,000
01-3220-2-002	Compass				
01-3220-2-003	Due Interware	700	700	0	700
01-3220-3-001	MV - Registration Fee				
01-3220-4-001	Motor Vehicle Title Fees	0	0	0	0
	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	**700,700**	**700,700**	**800,000**	**800,700**
Heating Permits					
01-3228-1-001	FD Heating Permits	2,500	2,500	3,000	5,000
	Heating Permits	**2,500**	**2,500**	**3,000**	**5,000**
Building Permits					
01-3230-1-001	BI Building Permits - Building	33,000	33,000	17,530	17,530
01-3230-1-002	BI Electrical Permits	900	900	0	0
01-3230-1-003	BI Septic Permits	775	775	0	0
01-3230-1-004	BI Plumbing & Heating Permits	450	450	0	0
01-3230-5-001	BI Driveway Permits	900	900	0	0
01-3230-5-002	BI In/Out House Numbering				
01-3230-6-001	BI Masonry	100	100	0	0
01-3230-7-001	BI Home Occupation	160	160	0	0
01-3230-9-001	BI Building Permits - Misc	100	100	0	0
01-3230-9-002	BI Copy Revenue	1	1	0	0
01-3230-9-003	BI Bldg Code Publications				
01-3230-9-004	BI Demo Permit				
01-3230-9-005	BI Mechanical Permit	0	0	0	0
	Building Permits	**36,386**	**36,386**	**17,530**	**17,530**
Other Licenses, Permits and Fees					
01-3290-1-001	TC Dog Licenses	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
01-3290-2-001	Dog License Fines				
01-3290-3-001	Marriage Licenses	500	500	500	500
01-3290-4-001	Marriage License Fees				
01-3290-5-001	Certificates Birth and Death	800	800	450	450
01-3290-6-001	TC Parking Violations				
01-3290-7-001	Pistol Permits	560	560	800	800
01-3290-8-001	TC Miscellaneous Revenue				
01-3290-9-001	Other Licenses & Permits	1,000	1,000	3,000	3,000
	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	**5,860**	**5,860**	**7,750**	**7,750**
Federal Funds Via State					
01-3311-9-001	Funds passed through the State				
01-3311-9-002	FED Mitagation via State				
01-3319-1-001	Fed. Govt. - Cops Grant				
01-3319-1-002	US Treasury Reimb - FICA				
01-3319-1-003	Highway Safety Grant				
01-3319-1-004	FED - Fema Funds				
01-3319-1-600	Dolloff Farm dev. rights				
01-3319-1-700	FD Fire Grant				
01-3319-1-900	PD Police Grant				
01-3350-1-001	Shared Revenue Block Grant	22,780	22,780	22,780	22,780
01-3350-2-001	State of NH- Forest Fire Reim	0	0	0	0
	Federal Funds Via State	**22,780**	**22,780**	**22,780**	**22,780**

Town of Chester
Anticipated Revenues

		08/09	08/09	09/10	09/10
		BOS	BC	BOS	BC
Account Number	Account Description	Budgeted	Budgeted	Budgeted	Budgeted
Revenue From State of NH					
01-3353-1-001	NH Highway Block Grant	110,000	110,000	109,169	109,169
01-3359-1-001	State Room and Meals Tax	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
01-3359-1-002	NH 20% TS/LF Grant	14,130	14,130	0	0
01-3359-1-003	State of NH - FF Training				
01-3359-1-004	Record Preservation Grant				
01-3359-9-001	Other Revenue From State	5,000	5,000	3,500	3,500
	Revenue From State of NH	**329,130**	**329,130**	**312,669**	**312,669**
LOCAL GOVERNMENT REIMBURSEMENTS					
01-3379-1-001	Natural Resourse Code Planner				
01-3379-3-001	Hazardous Waste Day Reimburser	0	0	0	0
	Local Government Reimbursements	0	0	0	0
Revenue From Charges for Service					
01-3401-1-001	Income From Departments				
01-3401-1-002	Insurance Report Fees	1,300	1,300	1,000	1,000
01-3401-1-003	Police- Special Duty Fees				
01-3401-1-004	State Witness Fees	1,700	1,700	1,000	1,000
01-3401-1-005	Kennel Fees				
01-3401-2-001	PB Copies	80	80	0	0
01-3401-2-002	PB Appliciations	4,000	4,000	8,000	8,000
01-3401-2-003	PB Offsite Fees				
01-3401-3-001	ZB Fees	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100
01-3401-3-002	PB Zoning Ordinance	100	100	0	0
01-3401-4-001	Landfill Fees Received				
01-3401-4-002	LF Appliance Fees	750	750	0	0
01-3401-4-003	LF Tire Fees	250	250	400	600
01-3401-4-004	RR Recycling Aluminum	4,000	4,000	3,000	3,000
01-3401-4-005	RR Recycling Glass/Metal	7,000	7,000	0	0
01-3401-4-006	RR Recycling Paper/Magazine	3,000	3,000	0	0
01-3401-4-007	RR Misc Recycling Revenue	50	50	0	0
01-3401-4-008	RR Propane Tanks/Freon			550	550
01-3401-4-009	TS Computers	1,100	1,100	1,500	1,500
01-3401-5-001	Recreation Dept. Income				
01-3401-6-001	Construction Debries Fees	0	0	0	0
	Revenue From Charges For Services	25,430	25,430	17,550	17,750
Revenue From Miscellaneous Sources					
01-3503-1-001	Rents From Short-Term Use				
01-3503-1-002	Rents From Long-Term Use-Tower	13,200	13,200	13,200	13,200
01-3503-2-001	EX Rental - Post Office	13,560	13,560	21,000	21,000
01-3503-3-001	EX Rental - Kitchen	1,000	1,000	500	500
01-3503-4-001	EX Rental Wason Cottage	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
01-3504-1-001	Court Fines				
01-3504-4-001	Health Insurance Reimbursement			15,372	16,248
01-3506-4-001	Health Insurance Reimbursement				
01-3506-6-001	INS Reimbursements				
01-3508-2-001	Gift from Nonpublic sources				
01-3508-9-001	EX Retumed check fee				
01-3509-1-001	Miscellaneous Revenue -Other	10,500	10,500	650	4,300
01-3509-1-002	Interest on Investments	100,000	100,000	19,000	19,000
01-3509-1-003	EX Copy Revenue				
01-3509-1-004	EL Voter Checklist Printout				
01-3509-1-005	CEM Investment Income	1,700	1,700	2,000	2,000
01-3509-1-006	PD Vandelism Reimbursement				
01-3509-1-007	Welfare Lien			4,300	2,000
01-3509-1-008	Junk Yard Permits				
01-3509-1-009	TA Vending Machines	800	800	700	1,000
01-3509-2-001	Current Use Application Fees	0	0	0	0
	Revenue From Miscellaneous Sources	143,760	143,760	79,722	82,248

Town of Chester
Anticipated Revenues

		08/09	08/09	09/10	09/10
		BOS	BC	BOS	BC
Account Number	Account Description	Budgeted	Budgeted	Budgeted	Budgeted
Other Financing Sources					
01-3912-1-001	Library Reimbursements				
01-3912-1-002	SS Silver Sands Land Purchase				
01-3912-1-003	PACT Public Access Television	1,200	1,200	5,845	5,845
01-3915-1-001	Cap. Res Police Cruiser				
01-3915-1-002	CAP Candia Road				
01-3915-2-001	Cap. Res. Reval				
01-3915-2-002	Cap. Res. Fire Truck				
01-3915-2-005	FD 2nd Flr Renovation/Cap Res				
01-3915-2-006	FD Fire Fighter Grant 90%				
01-3915-2-007	FD Generator Grant				
01-3915-2-008	Offsite Improv. Fees/FD Gerera				
01-3916-1-001	Interfund transfers - Trust	0	0	0	0
	Other Financing Sources	**1,200**	**1,200**	**5,845**	**5,845**
	Total before Prop. Tax & Bonds	**1,312,746**	**1,312,746**	**1,347,415**	**1,352,841**
Proceeds From Bonds					
01-3943-3-003	HSB Road Bond	0	0	0	0
	Proceeds From Bonds	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**
	General Fund	**1,312,746**	**1,312,746**	**1,347,415**	**1,352,841**
	Revenues, Funds & Credits Related				
	to Recommended Warrant Articles			**1,635,244**	**165,898**
	Total Revenues, Funds & Credits	**1,312,746**	**1,312,746**	**2,982,659**	**1,518,739**

Town of Chester
Budgeted Expenses Encumbrances
Summary

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommend.	2009-2010 BC Recommend.
General Government					
4130-1	Executive Office	$28,838	$84,083	$45,747	$37,925
4130-2	Town Administration	$64,411	$73,266	$59,994	$59,844
4140-1	Town Clerk	$38,094	$47,054	$49,484	$49,484
4140-2	Supervisors of the Checklist	$11,629	$17,930	$12,471	$12,471
4150-1	Financial Administration	$139,771	$131,951	$117,801	$116,301
4150-3	Budget Committee	$1,434	$2,000	$701	$1,900
4150-4	Tax Collector	$35,942	$41,373	$43,443	$43,443
4150-5	Treasurer	$3,242	$3,300	$3,150	$3,150
4152	Assessing	$66,487	$73,368	$66,978	$66,978
4153	Legal	$39,098	$65,000	$65,000	$50,000
4155	Benefits	$267,188	$384,442	$387,877	$329,833
4191	Planning Board	$47,892	$49,517	$48,726	$45,655
4193	Zoning Board of Adjustment	$11,366	$12,495	$12,800	$12,150
4194-1	General Government Buildings	$195,372	$164,804	$178,487	$176,487
4194-2	Stevens Hall	$14,471	$16,152	$8,802	$8,802
4195	Cemeteries	$10,171	$19,503	$15,219	$15,219
4196	Insurance Not Alloted	$50,923	$70,627	$61,965	$60,294
4197	Ad & Regional Associations	$6,283	$6,342	$6,312	$6,312
	Total General Government	**$1,032,612**	**$1,263,207**	**$1,180,957**	**$1,096,248**
Public Safety					
4210	Police Department	$303,813	$317,389	$417,939	$319,239
4215	Ambulance	$45,000	$45,500	$46,000	$46,000
4220	Fire Department	$221,253	$222,832	$238,834	$224,574
4221	Forest Fires	$4,254	$4,000	$4,050	$4,050
4240	Building Inspector	$53,849	$52,870	$42,003	$42,353
4290	Emergency Management Equip. &	$0	$1,000	$1,000	$1,000
4299	Other Public Safety	$5,379	$6,000	$6,000	$6,000
	Total Public Safety	**$633,548**	**$649,690**	**$766,826**	**$643,216**
Highways, Streets & Sanitation					
4312	Highways and Streets	$431,984	$454,101	$481,251	$406,501
4316	Street Lighting	$2,947	$2,200	$2,200	$3,000
4324	Solid Waste-Transfer	$135,478	$138,479	$153,127	$153,687
4325	Landfill	$10,208	$14,700	$12,360	$12,360
Total Highway, Streets, Bridges & Sanitation		**$580,616**	**$609,480**	**$628,938**	**$575,528**
Health & Welfare					
4414	Animal Control	$194	$1,000	$1,000	$1,000
4419	Other Health	$18,242	$20,300	$23,095	$23,095
4442	Welfare-Direct Assistance	$12,251	$13,000	$27,947	$27,947
4444	Welfare-Intergovn't'l	$3,770	$4,020	$4,215	$4,215
	Total Health & Welfare	**$34,457**	**$38,320**	**$56,257**	**$56,257**
Culture & Recreation					
4520	Parks and Recreation	$47,236	$51,237	$52,312	$52,312
4530	Total Wason Pond	$4,697	$1,303	$2,278	$2,278
4530	Wason Pond Community Center	$3,219	$4,300	$4,430	$4,430
4535	Wason Pond Caretaker Cottage	$977	$900	$500	$500
4540	Wason Pond Bathhouse/Store	$1,168	$610	$400	$400
4541	Wason Pond Advisory Commission	$34	$3,153	$2,755	$2,755
4550	Chester Public Library	$94,772	$95,800	$95,800	$86,929
4583	Patriotic Purposes	$0	$150	$150	$150
4584	Historical Society	$455	$250	$250	$250
4585	Public Access Television	$1,171	$1,640	$1,345	$1,345
4586	Chester Senior Citizens	$7,500	$7,500	$7,500	$7,500
4587	Town Fair Fireworks	$6,500	$6,800	$6,800	$6,800
	Total Culture & Recreation	**$167,730**	**$173,643**	**$174,520**	**$165,649**
Conservation					
4619	Conservation & Eco. Development	$5,116	$7,132	$4,789	$4,789
Total Conservation & Economic Development		**$5,116**	**$7,132**	**$4,789**	**$4,789**
Total Operating Budget Before Debt		**$2,454,079**	**$2,741,372**	**$2,801,287**	**$2,541,687**
Debt Service					
4711	Total Principal Long Term Notes	$711,931	$595,143	$552,284	$552,284
4721	Total Bond Interest	$133,011	$108,380	$86,017	$86,017
4723	Debt Interest - TAN's	$0	$1	$1	$1
	Total Debt Service	**$844,942**	**$703,624**	**$638,302**	**$638,302**
Total Operating Budget		**$3,299,021**	**$3,444,996**	**$3,439,589**	**$3,179,989**

General Government
Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Executive Office					
01-4130-1-110	EX Contract- Minutes	5,398	6,000	6,000	6,000
01-4130-1-111	EX Salaries- Minutes	3,698	3,000	3,000	3,000
01-4130-1-130	EX Salaries	11,550	11,550	11,550	11,550
01-4130-1-270	EX Life/Disability		0	0	0
01-4130-1-341	EX Telephone	426	800	800	800
01-4130-1-520	EX Printing		100	100	100
01-4130-1-560	EX Dues/Subscriptions/Seminars	366	500	500	500
01-4130-1-625	EX Postage	150	250	250	250
01-4130-1-645	EX Mileage		1	1	1
01-4130-1-675	EX Advertising	1,730	1,500	1,500	1,500
01-4130-1-690	EX Miscellaneous	2,259	1,500	1,500	1,500
01-4130-1-696	EX Town Web Page	1,113	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4130-1-691	EX Town Web Page Administrator		2,000	1	1
01-4130-1-270	EX Pact Fund	613	1	1	1
01-4130-1-698	EX Beaver Creek		1	1	1
01-4130-1-699	EX NPDES (Stormwater Mgmt)		1	1	1
01-4130-1-998	EX COLA Adjustment		55,879	19,542	10,238
01-4130-1-999	EX COLA Loadings		0	0	1,482
01-4130-1-741	05/06 Flood Contract Srvcs				
01-4130-1-810	06/07 Flood Salaries				
01-4130-1-811	06/07 Flood Fica/Medicare				
01-4130-1-812	06/07 Flood NH Retirement				
01-4130-1-813	06/07 Flood W/C				
01-4130-1-740	05/06 Flood Eqip. Rental				
01-4130-1-841	06/07 Flood Contract Services				
01-4130-1-850	06/07 Flood Materials	1,535			
	Total Executive Office	**28,838**	**84,083**	**45,747**	**37,925**
Town Administration					
01-4130-2-110	TA Salary FT	36,285	36,420	38,241	38,241
01-4130-2-112	TA Admin Support P/T			0	0
01-4130-2-150	TA Contract. Adm. Asst.			0	0
01-4130-2-341	TA Telephone	1,475	1,500	1,500	1,500
01-4130-2-431	TA Copier Lease	3,631	4,000	4,350	4,350
01-4130-2-560	TA Dues & Subscrip	30	500	500	500
01-4130-2-620	TA Office Supplies	1,991	2,200	2,200	2,200
01-4130-2-625	TA Postage	898	750	900	900
01-4130-2-645	TA Mileage	274	360	300	300
01-4130-2-630	TA Postage Meter Rental	634	300	732	732
01-4130-2-689	TA Vending Machines	953	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4130-2-690	TA Miscellaneous	488	200	200	200
01-4130-2-741	TA Computer Equipment	9,777	15,365	1	1
01-4130-2-742	TA Computer Support	21	1	0	0
01-4130-3-550	TA Town Report	7,601	10,250	9,500	9,500
01-4130-3-560	TA Training	233	220	220	220
01-4130-3-670	TA Books & Periodicals	120	200	350	200
	Total Town Administration	**64,411**	**73,266**	**59,994**	**59,844**

General Government
Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Town Clerk					
01-4140-1-110	TC Salaries - Deputy	4,638	8,692	8,953	8,953
01-4140-1-130	TC Salaries	24,329	25,181	26,440	26,440
01-4140-1-314	TC DMV Software	1,528	3,450	3,450	3,450
01-4140-1-316	TC Eregs	831	1,016	1,016	1,016
01-4140-1-320	TC State Vital Records Pmts	1,721	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4140-1-341	TC Telephone	958	950	950	950
01-4140-1-430	TC Office Equipment Repair	234	300	200	200
01-4140-1-560	TC Dues & Subscriptions	65	50	50	50
01-4140-1-561	TC Training & Seminars	55	100	75	75
01-4140-1-570	TC Dog Tags	259	325	375	375
01-4140-1-620	TC Office Supplies	641	700	700	700
01-4140-1-621	TC Computer/Equipment	1,560	1,450	1,000	1,000
01-4140-1-625	TC Postage	1,103	2,400	2,400	2,400
01-4140-1-650	TC Mileage	36	65	60	60
01-4140-1-670	TC Books & Periodicals	50	75	50	50
01-4140-1-741	TC Office Equipment		500	0	0
New Line	TC Computer Smart Option			1,460	1,460
New Line	TC Vault Maintenance			455	455
01-4140-1-742	TC Computer Support	85	800	850	850
	Total Town Clerk	**38,094**	**47,054**	**49,484**	**49,484**
Supervisors of the Checklist					
01-4140-2-110	EL Salaries - Ballot Clerks	2,643	3,140	1,320	1,320
01-4140-2-130	EL Salaries - Supervisors	5,389	6,678	5,400	5,400
01-4140-2-131	EL Salaries -Asst Moderator	400	400	400	400
01-4140-2-132	EL Salaries - Moderator	500	500	500	500
01-4140-2-341	EL Telephone	458	840	500	500
01-4140-2-520	EL Printing	455	400	500	500
01-4140-2-620	EL Office Supplies	421	400	500	500
01-4140-2-625	EL Postage	41	100	100	100
01-4140-2-640	EL Meals	618	888	375	375
01-4140-2-675	EL Advertising	72	500	1	1
01-4140-2-740	EL Equipment	109	1,500	1,500	1,500
01-4140-2-741	EL Equip Maint	523	2,584	1,375	1,375
	Total Supervisors of the Checklist	**11,629**	**17,930**	**12,471**	**12,471**
Financial Administration					
01-4150-1-110	FA Finance Director-Salary		65,000	60,000	60,000
01-4150-1-120	FA Salaries - Accounting	48,149	32,000	21,300	21,300
01-4150-1-130	FA Salaries Internal Audit		0	0	0
01-4150-1-150	FA Contract Finance Director	63,481	1	1	1
01-4150-1-314	FA Computer Support	9,178	12,500	9,500	9,500
01-4150-1-341	FA Telephone	1,845	1,500	1,500	1,500
01-4150-1-345	FA ADP Fees	1,250			
01-4150-1-430	FA Office Equipment Maint	21	500	500	500
01-4150-1-431	FA Office Equipment		750	750	750
01-4150-1-560	FA Dues/Subscriptions	115	200	100	100
01-4150-1-620	FA Office Supplies	2,412	4,000	4,000	2,500
01-4150-1-625	FA Postage	877	850	950	950
01-4150-1-645	FA Travel Reimb	31	200	200	200
01-4150-1-670	FA Books & Periodicals		150	150	150
01-4150-2-220	FA Audit FICA/Medicare			0	0
01-4150-2-301	FA External Audit	12,413	14,000	18,550	18,550
01-4150-2-320	FA GASB		50	50	50
01-4150-2-560	FA Training Seminar		250	250	250
	Total Financial Administration	**139,771**	**131,951**	**117,801**	**116,301**

General Government
Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Budget Committee					
01-4150-3-560	BC Dues & Subscriptions			154	154
01-4150-3-561	BC Seminars			245	245
01-4150-3-620	BC Office Supplies			200	200
01-4150-3-625	BC Postage			1	1,200
01-4150-3-670	BC Books & Periodicals			60	60
01-4150-3-690	BC Miscellaneous			41	41
	Total Budget Committee	**1,434**	**2,000**	**701**	**1,900**
Tax Collector					
01-4150-4-110	TX Salaries - Deputy	4,558	8,692	8,953	8,953
01-4150-4-130	TX Salaries	24,329	25,181	26,440	26,440
01-4150-4-341	TX Telephone	489	550	550	550
01-4150-4-560	TX Dues & Subscriptions	50	50	50	50
01-4150-4-561	TX Training & Seminars	20	75	75	75
01-4150-4-610	TX Office Supplies	571	500	600	600
01-4150-4-625	TX Postage	2,461	2,000	2,600	2,600
01-4150-4-650	TX Travel	32	50	50	50
01-4150-4-651	TX Recording Fees	288	400	400	400
01-4150-4-670	TX Books & Periodicals	50	75	50	50
01-4150-4-725	TX Tax Lien Search	910	800	1,100	1,100
01-4150-4-730	TX Tax Bill Preparation	1,458	1,600	1,650	1,650
01-4150-4-741	TX Equipment & Repair	726	600	500	500
01-4150-4-742	TX Computer Support		800	425	425
	Total Tax Collector	**35,942**	**41,373**	**43,443**	**43,443**

General Government
Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Treasurer					
01-4150-5-130	T Salaries	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
01-4150-5-340	T Bank Services	102	200	0	0
01-4150-6-314	T Computer Software			50	50
01-4150-6-650	T Mileage	140	50	50	50
01-4150-6-690	T Miscellaneous		50	50	50
	Total Treasurer	**3,242**	**3,300**	**3,150**	**3,150**
Assessing					
01-4152-2-110	AS Salaries - Clerk	31,887	32,002	37,128	37,128
01-4152-2-110	AS Clerk - Certification Increase			1,856	1,856
01-4152-2-312	AS Miscellaneous	255	160	220	220
01-4152-2-314	AS Computer Support	4,043	3,800	4,000	4,000
01-4152-2-341	AS Telephone	781	900	800	800
01-4152-2-350	AS Tax Map Maint	2,192	2,800	2,800	2,800
01-4152-2-391	AS Contract Service	25,831	31,352	17,600	17,600
New Line	AS Quarterly Reviews			0	0
01-4152-2-560	AS Dues/Subscriptions/Seminars	242	629	770	770
01-4152-2-620	AS Office Supplies	438	500	500	500
01-4152-2-621	AS Computer Equipment	75	250	250	250
01-4152-2-622	AS Revaluation		0	0	0
01-4152-2-625	AS Postage	506	550	550	550
01-4152-2-645	AS Mileage	237	425	504	504
	Total Assessing	**66,487**	**73,368**	**66,978**	**66,978**
Legal					
01-4153-1-320	LE Services	39,098	65,000	65,000	50,000
	Total Legal	**39,098**	**65,000**	**65,000**	**50,000**
Benefits					
01-4155-1-210	BE Health Insurance			241,579	198,617
01-4155-1-220	BE FICA/Medicare			66,600	64,498
01-4155-1-230	BE NH Retirement			79,698	66,718
	Total Benefits	**267,188**	**384,442**	**387,877**	**329,833**

General Government
Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Planning Board					
01-4191-1-110	PB Planning Coord.	35,916	36,051	37,854	37,854
01-4191-1-111	PB Secretary - PT		0	1	0
01-4191-1-112	PB Recording Secretary	2,493	3,500	900	700
01-4191-1-341	PB Telephone	1,150	1,100	1,200	1,200
01-4191-1-390	PB Contract Services	153	1,500	1,000	500
01-4191-1-430	PB Office Equip Maint	21	290	150	150
01-4191-1-550	PB Printing	1,398	775	1,000	1,000
01-4191-1-560	PB Dues/Subscriptions/Seminars	95	200	150	150
01-4191-1-620	PB Office Supplies	438	350	250	250
01-4191-1-625	PB Postage	755	1,800	800	800
01-4191-1-651	PB Recording Fees	684	800	870	500
01-4191-1-670	PB Books & Periodicals	111	150	150	150
01-4191-1-675	PB Advertising	1,073	1,200	900	900
01-4191-1-690	PB Miscellaneous	162	200	200	200
01-4191-1-741	PB Office Equipment	167	425	300	300
01-4191-2-112	PB Planner	2,250	1	1	1
01-4191-2-114	PB Town Mapper	800	800	800	800
01-4191-2-116	PB Travel	227	375	200	200
	Total Planning Board	**47,892**	**49,517**	**46,726**	**45,655**
Zoning Board of Adjustment					
01-4193-1-110	ZBA Admin Asst Salaries	7,327	7,645	7,950	7,950
01-4193-1-112	ZBA Recording Sec.	755	1,200	1,200	800
01-4193-1-341	ZBA Telephone	1,208	1,300	1,300	1,300
01-4193-1-430	ZBA Office Equipment Maint.	250	200	200	200
01-4193-1-560	ZBA Dues/Subscriptions/Seminars	230	300	300	300
01-4193-1-620	ZBA Office Supplies	359	200	200	200
01-4193-1-625	ZBA Postage	412	500	500	250
01-4193-1-645	ZBA Mileage	101	50	50	50
01-4193-1-651	ZBA Recording Fees	25	100	100	100
01-4193-1-670	ZBA Books & Periodicals	46	100	100	100
01-4193-1-675	ZBA Advertising	553	600	600	600
01-4193-1-741	ZBA Office Equipment	99.98	300	300	300
	Total Zoning Board of Adjustment	**11,366**	**12,495**	**12,800**	**12,150**

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Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
General Government Buildings					
01-4194-1-110	GB Salary Maintenance (H.)	29,418	23,400	24,570	24,570
01-4194-1-111	GB Maintenance -Caretaker - (N.)	11,254	17,000	11,254	11,254
New Line	GB Maintenance-Superv. - (M.)			4,496	4,496
01-4194-1-112	GB Custodian - (R.)	21,540	11,254	11,817	11,817
01-4194-1-119	GB Maint. Man Salary		0	0	0
01-4194-1-129	GB Snow Removal		0	0	0
01-4194-1-410	GB Electricity	22,346	19,000	19,000	19,000
01-4194-1-411	GB Heat & Oil	25,610	25,000	27,500	27,500
01-4194-1-412	GB Water	688	2,000	1,000	1,000
01-4194-1-413	GB Sewer		1,100	1,100	1,100
01-4194-1-414	GB Propane	2,525	5,000	8,000	8,000
01-4194-1-430	GB Repairs & Maint	23,928	26,000	26,000	26,000
01-4194-1-432	GB Repairs & Maint (Stevens)	263	0	5,350	5,350
01-4194-1-435	GB Repairs & Maint (Alarm Sys)	15,380	2,500	2,000	2,000
01-4194-1-437	GB Repairs & Maint (Kitchen)	988	750	750	750
01-4194-1-439	GB Repairs & Maint (Highway	4,484	2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4194-1-570	GB Dumpster	987	1,500	1,500	1,500
01-4194-1-572	GB Dumpster-Kitchen	327	0		
01-4194-1-622	GB Supplies	5,456	1,500	2,500	2,500
01-4194-1-623	GB Signs	23	300	100	100
01-4194-1-639	GB Gas/Oil	4,617	3,000	3,000	3,000
01-4194-1-640	GB Custodial	4,347	3,000	3,000	3,000
01-4194-1-641	GB Custodial Services (Police)	2,730	700	700	700
01-4194-1-642	GB Custodial (Multipurpose)	1,753	500	500	500
01-4194-1-643	GB Contract Rug Cleaning		0		
01-4194-1-645	GB Floor Care		0		
01-4194-1-647	GB Custodial (Post Office)	819	1,000	1,000	1,000
NEW LINE	GB Custodial - Stevens Hall			1,650	1,650
01-4194-1-650	GB Groundskeeping	30	9,000	9,000	9,000
01-4194-1-740	GB Equipment Maint	5,489	500	500	500
01-4194-1-741	GB Truck Maint.		1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4194-1-743	GB Equipment Purch	2,339	2,500	2,500	2,500
01-4194-1-745	GB Maintenance Consolidation		0		
01-4194-1-750	GB Furniture & Fixtures	620	1,200	600	600
01-4194-1-840	GB Post Office - Maint	6,537	2,500	2,500	2,500
01-4194-1-845	GB Edwards Mill Property	74	800	800	800
01-4194-1-850	GB Wason Pond Dam - inspections	800	800	800	800
01-4194-1-851	GB Wason Pond Dam Repair		0		
01-4194-1-855	GB Spring Hill Maintenance		0		
01-4194-1-999	GB Encumbered Funds/Warrant At		0		
	Total General Government Buildings	**195,372**	**164,804**	**176,487**	**176,487**

General Government
Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Stevens Hall					
01-4194-1-341	STVNS Telephone/Internet	261	0	0	0
01-4194-1-390	STVNS Contract Services		1	1	1
01-4194-2-410	STVNS Electricity	1,233	1,200	1,000	1,000
01-4194-2-411	STVNS Heat/Oil/Propane	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
01-4194-2-420	STVNS Maintenance	5,256	5,500	0	0
01-4194-2-430	STVNS Restoration		1	1	1
01-4194-2-510	STVNS Elevator	530	600	600	600
01-4194-2-622	STVNS Supplies	131	200	200	200
01-4194-2-640	STVNS Custodial	60	1,650	0	0
01-4194-2-650	STVNS Groundskeeping		0	0	0
	Total Stevens Hall	**14,471**	**16,152**	**8,802**	**8,802**
Cemeteries					
01-4195-1-110	CEM Salaries	1195	1	9,319	9,319
01-4195-1-120	CEM Sexton Salary			600	600
01-4195-1-390	CEM Contract Services		17,500	2,500	2,500
01-4195-1-430	CEM Equipment Maint	6302		200	200
01-4195-1-635	CEM Gas/Oil	138	1	600	600
01-4195-1-690	CEM Miscellaneous	600	2,000	1,500	1,500
01-4195-1-740	CEM Equipment	1936	1	500	500
	Total Cemeteries	**10,171**	**19,503**	**15,219**	**15,219**
Insurance Not Allot Ins Bond					
01-4196-1-520	INS General Liability	33,636.06	37,881	39,690	39,690
01-4196-1-523	INS FF Group Accident			0	0
01-4196-1-524	INS Wilcomb Townsend		1	1	1
New Line	INS Workers Compensation	15,907	28,745	16,936	15,265
01-4196-1-530	INS Deductible Exp		2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4196-1-535	INS Unemployment	1379.47	2,000	3,338	3,338
	Total Insurance Not Allot Ins Bond	**50,923**	**70,627**	**61,965**	**60,294**
Ad & Regional Association					
01-4197-1-385	AD NHMA Dues	3,375	3,400	3,404	3,404
01-4197-1-390	AD So NH Planning Commission	2,909	2,942	2,908	2,908
	Total Ad & Regional Association	**6,283**	**6,342**	**6,312**	**6,312**
	Total General Government	**1,032,612**	**1,263,207**	**1,180,956**	**1,096,247**

Public Safety

	Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances			2009-2010	2009-2010
Account		2007-2008	2008-2009	BOS	BC
Number	Account Description	Actual	Approved	Recommended	Recommended
Police Department					
01-4210-1-110	PD Salaries - Admin - Chief	56,821	59,850	66,560	62,843
01-4210-1-115	PD Salary Full Time Officers	52,015	75,920	89,257	79,716
01-4210-1-115	**PD 2 New FT Officers**			77,120	0
01-4210-1-120	PD Salaries - Admin Asst	28,028	33,862	29,120	29,120
01-4210-1-122	PD Salaries -Officers Part Time	78,639	66,000	71,437	69,300
01-4210-1-124	PD Salaries -Clerical	1,040	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4210-1-126	PD Salaries -Training for Perm	7,724		0	0
01-4210-1-130	PD Salaries -Special Duty		2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4210-1-132	PD Salaries -On Call	1,987	3,000	3,000	2,000
01-4210-1-134	PD Salaries -Witness Fees	1,438	1,500	2,000	2,000
01-4210-1-136	PD Salaries -Overtime	2,770	2,000	6,000	4,000
01-4210-1-314	PD Computer Support	3,596	3,500	5,604	5,604
01-4210-1-320	PD Admin Legal	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
01-4210-1-325	PD Contracted Services	0	0	0	0
01-4210-1-341	PD Admin Telephone/Fax	7,218	8,510	8,510	7,500
01-4210-1-550	PD Admin Printing	92	250	300	300
01-4210-1-560	PD Dues & Subscriptions	529	250	300	300
01-4210-1-561	PD Conferences, Classes & Dues		2,895	2,895	2,895
01-4210-1-620	PD Admin Office Supplies	1,517	1,500	1,500	1,500
01-4210-1-625	PD Admin Postage	80	400	400	400
01-4210-1-661	PD 00 Cruiser Repair (Expedit)	500	0	0	0
01-4210-1-670	PD Books & Periodicals	590	500	500	500
01-4210-1-690	PD Miscellaneous	600	500	2,000	1,000
01-4210-3-430	PD Radar Repair	135	250	425	250
01-4210-3-635	PD Gas/Oil	14,862	14,000	15,000	15,000
01-4210-3-637	PD 05 Cruiser Repair	2,655	1,500	2,500	2,500
01-4210-3-663	PD 03 Cruiser Repair	2,404	1,500	1,640	1,640
new budget line	**08 Expedition Repair/Maint**			1,300	1,300
new budget line	**09 Crown Vic Repair/Maint**			1,100	1,100
01-4210-3-665	PD Equip & Maint - Vehicle	2,541	1,500	1,500	1,500
01-4210-3-666	PD 00 Ford Cruiser	166	1	0	0
01-4210-5-430	PD Radio Repair	1,001	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4210-5-740	PD Radio Equipment	3,766	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4210-5-810	PD Uniforms & Equip	4,468	4,000	4,000	3,000
01-4210-5-811	Vests		7,700	770	770
01-4210-6-740	PD Training Supplies & Equip	2,298	2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4210-7-430	PD Security Camera		5,000	1	1
01-4210-7-725	PD Computers	1,378	1	1,000	1,000
01-4210-7-740	PD Office Equip	8,824	500	0	0
01-4210-8-430	PD Office Equip Maint	132	0	1,200	1,200
	Total Police Department	**303,813**	**317,389**	**417,939**	**319,239**
01-4210-9-100	**PD WA#8 Car & Camera 2008**		33,483		
01-4210-9-101	**PD WA#9 Exped & Camera 2008**		37,853		
01-4210-9-102	**PD WA#10 2 In Car Cameras 2008**		10,000		

	Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances			2009-2010	2009-2010
Account		2007-2008	2008-2009	BOS	BC
Number	Account Description	Actual	Approved	Recommended	Recommended
			81,336		
Ambulance					
01-4215-1-350	AM Contract Med Serv	45,000	45,500	46,000	46,000
	Total Ambulance	**45,000**	**45,500**	**46,000**	**46,000**
Fire Department					
01-4220-1-110	FD Salaries - Chief	3,605	5,000	5,000	5,250
01-4220-1-120	FD Salaries - Deputy Chief	1,811	1,811	1,865	1,865
01-4220-1-130	FD Adminstrative Assistant	3,672	2,000	2,060	2,060
01-4220-1-136	FD Overtime	2,656	4,000	4,000	4,000
01-4220-1-140	FD Salaries - Duty Officer	7,800	7,900	7,800	7,800
01-4220-1-150	FD Salaries - Fire Fighters	18,187	39,000	39,000	34,500
01-4220-1-160	FD Salaries Career - FT (R.A.)	42,330	42,481	**47,000**	**44,605**
01-4220-1-170	Salaries - Career Daytime (FT) (K.W.	25,199	29,120	**36,691**	**30,576**
01-4220-1-341	FD Admin Telephone	1,475	1,800	1,800	1,500
01-4220-1-410	FD Electricity	4,054	4,500	4,500	4,500
01-4220-1-411	FD Propane - Heat	4,109	3,800	4,100	4,100
01-4220-1-430	FD EMS Contract Service	2,504	2,396	1,700	1,700
01-4220-1-560	FD Dues, Subscr. & Seminars	2,367	2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4220-1-561	FD Training/Education Material	12,409	10,000	10,000	10,000
01-4220-1-562	FD FirePrevention Inspections	1,257	2,000	1,500	1,500
01-4220-1-563	FD Fire Grant 04	180		0	0
01-4220-1-570	FD Dispatching Services	17,042	21,323	22,218	22,218
01-4220-1-620	FD Office Supplies	1,671	1,100	1,500	1,000
01-4220-1-635	FD Gas & Oil	5,180	4,500	5,500	5,500
01-4220-1-740	FD Equipment	5,843	2,500	3,000	3,000
01-4220-3-430	FD Radio Repair & Maint	2,944	2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4220-3-431	FD Computer Maintenance	2,424	1,000	1,500	800
01-4220-3-435	FD Hazmat Equipment	2,724	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4220-3-740	FD Radio Equipment	3,074	2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4220-4-810	FD Uniforms & Equip	2,236	1,500	1,500	1,500
01-4220-4-811	FD EMS Supplies & Equip	9,087	4,500	5,000	5,000
01-4220-6-660	FD Vehicle-Repair	21,028	7,500	8,500	8,500
01-4220-6-661	FD Vehicle-Maintenance	0	3,000	3,000	3,000
01-4220-6-811	FD Personal Protection Equipment	7,720	6,500	6,500	6,500
01-4220-7-350	FD Medical Services	1,275	2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4220-7-430	FD Building Maint	2,553	2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4220-8-740	FD Nextel	1,894	2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4220-9-750	FD Insurance Claims		0		
01-4220-8-741	FD Comcast Internet	941	600	600	600
	Total Fire Department	**221,253**	**222,832**	**238,834**	**224,574**
Forest Fires					
01-4221-2-120	FF Salaries	855	1,000	**1,050**	**1,050**
01-4221-8-660	FF Equipment Repair	1,323	1,500	1,500	1,500
01-4221-8-740	FF Equipment	2,075	1,500	1,500	1,500
	Total Forest Fires	**4,254**	**4,000**	**4,050**	**4,050**

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
	Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances				
Building Inspector					
01-4240-1-110	BI Salaries	17,648	47,917	**35,700**	**35,700**
01-4240-1-111	BI Salaries-Driveway	0	0	0	0
01-4240-1-113	BI Salaries-Clerical PT	29,988	1	1	1
01-4240-1-112	BI Contract Salaries	0	0	0	0
01-4240-1-341	BI Telephone	1,100	1,250	1,250	1,250
01-4240-1-391	BI Contract Services	0	100	2,600	2,600
01-4240-1-520	BI Printing	115	100	100	100
01-4240-1-560	BI Dues/Subscriptions/Seminars	175	800	400	400
01-4240-1-620	BI Office Supplies	339	400	100	400
01-4240-1-623	BI Code Books	396	500	300	300
01-4240-1-625	BI Postage	5	100	50	100
01-4240-1-638	BI House Numbering	0	1	0	0
01-4240-1-645	BI Travel	430	500	1,200	1,200
01-4240-1-690	BI Miscellaneous	320	100	100	100
01-4240-1-741	BI Office Equipment	3,248	100	100	100
01-4240-1-742	BI Computers	0	900	1	1
01-4240-1-810	BI Safety Glasses/Boots	0	1	1	1
01-4240-2-430	BI Office Equip Maint	85	100	100	100
01-4240-3-430	BI Vehicle/Gas	0	0	0	0
	Total Building Inspector	**53,849**	**52,870**	**42,003**	**42,353**
Emergency Management (Civil Defense)					
01-4290-1-430	EM Equip Repairs & Maint	0	1,000	1,000	1,000
	Total Emergency Management (Civil Defense)	**0**	**1,000**	**1,000**	**1,000**
Other Public Safety					
01-4299-1-100	OPS Hazmat Mutual Aid	5,354	6,000	6,000	6,000
01-4299-1-110	OPS Health Office Cell Phone	25	0	0	0
	Total Other Public Safety	**5,379**	**6,000**	**6,000**	**6,000**
	Total Public Safety	**633,548**	**649,590**	**755,826**	**643,216**

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Highways and Streets					
01-4312-1-109	HSB Road Agent	10,883	10,000	10,000	10,000
01-4312-1-110	HSB Salaries	53405	61,000	64,050	64,050
01-4312-1-111	HSB Plowing Salaries	7,284	1	1	1
01-4312-1-114	HSB Contracted Services	700	3,000	3,000	3,000
01-4312-1-115	HSB Drug Testing	58	100	200	200
01-4312-1-341	HSB Telephone	466	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4312-1-410	HSB Electricity	2,410	2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4312-1-411	HSB Heat/Fuel	2,113	3,000	3,000	3,000
01-4312-1-430	HSB Building Maint.	0		0	0
01-4312-1-620	HSB Office Supplies	34	100	100	100
01-4312-1-622	HSB Supplies	1,438	1,200	1,200	1,200
01-4312-1-623	HSB Signs	2,142	2,000	2,000	2,250
01-4312-1-626	HSB Truck Insurance	0		0	0
01-4312-1-635	HSB Gas & Oil	11,654	12,000	12,000	12,000
01-4312-1-640	HSB Small Equip. Gas/Oil	0	0	0	0
01-4312-1-660	HSB Equip Repair & Truck	10,692	6,000	6,000	6,000
01-4312-1-161	NSC Equip Repair - loader	5,171	6,000	6,000	6,000
01-4312-1-665	HSB Equipment	1,757	4,000	4,000	4,000
01-4312-1-690	HSB Miscellaneous	478	200	200	200
01-4312-1-740	HSB Radio Equip Repair	196	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4312-1-901	HSB Sand/Gravel	31,229	22,000	25,000	25,000
01-4312-1-902	HSB Plowing	179,715	125,000	125,000	65,000
01-4312-1-904	HSB Culverts	421	2,000	2,500	2,500
01-4312-1-905	HSB Salt	67,134	50,000	55,000	55,000
01-4312-1-906	HSB Chipper	360	0	0	0
01-4312-1-907	HSB Dozer	0	0	0	0
01-4312-1-908	HSB Loader	0	0	0	0
01-4312-1-909	HSB Chain Saw	393	0	0	0
01-4312-1-910	HSB Excavator	1,280	0	0	0
01-4312-1-911	HSB Asphalt	1,096	40,000	40,000	40,000
01-4312-1-912	HSB Backhoe	1,930	0	0	0
01-4312-1-913	HSB Hired Equipment	6,153	35,000	40,000	40,000
01-4312-1-914	HSB Dirt Road Maint	13,620	25,000	25,000	25,000
01-4312-1-915	HSB Cold Patch	2,161	2,500	3,000	3,000
01-4312-2-570	HSB Roadside Cleanup	7,308	5,000	5,000	5,000
01-4312-2-700	HSB Surveying/Engineering	8,304	20,000	10,000	10,000
01-4312-2710	HSB Crack Filling	0	15,000	15,000	20,000
01-4312-2-999	HSB Truck Lease Payment	0	0	0	0
		431,984	**454,101**	**461,251**	**406,501**
	Total Highway				
Street Lighting					
01-4316-3-410	SL Electric	2,947	2,200	2,200	3,000
	Total Street Lighting	**2,947**	**2,200**	**2,200**	**3,000**

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Solid Waste - Transfer Station					
01-4324-1-110	TS Salaries Full Time	46,139	29,120	29,848	29,848
01-4324-1-115	TS Salaries Part Time		25,857	27,878	27,878
01-4324-1-341	TS Telephone	1,375	900	900	900
01-4324-1-410	TS Electric	2,352	1,900	2,100	2,100
01-4324-1-560	TS Operator Certification	50	100	100	100
01-4324-1-622	TS Supplies & Equip	2,454	900	900	900
01-4324-1-623	TS Signs	20	1	1	1
01-4324-1-635	TS Gas for Equipment	331	200	200	200
01-4324-1-645	TS Mileage	211	250	290	290
01-4324-2-108	RECY TV, Computers	890	1,100	1,500	1,500
01-4324-2-109	RECY Propane Cylinder	0	200	200	200
01-4324-2-111	RECY Plastics	2,106	3,200	3,200	3,200
01-4324-2-113	RECY Comingled Cans	1,884	1,400	800	800
01-4324-2-114	RECY Paper	0	1	3,600	3,600
01-4324-2-115	RECY Freon, Appliance	1,317	900	550	990
01-4324-2-116	RECY Tire Removal	0	500	600	600
01-4324-2-117	RECY Glass	925	2,500	2,800	2,800
New Line	RECY Scrap Metal			1,500	1,500
01-4324-2-118	TS Site Work	7,191	1,500	600	600
01-4324-2-122	TS Haz Waste Collection	0	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4324-2-124	TS Transport & Tipping	54,711	55,000	62,000	62,000
01-4324-2-125	TS Dump Sticker	260	300	300	400
01-4324-2-128	TS Mowing	0	0	0	0
01-4324-2-129	TS Snow Removal	12,965	10,500	9,000	9,000
01-4324-2-560	TS NRRA Dues	300	250	2,500	2,500
01-4324-2-620	TS Flourescent Bulb Disposal	0	300	160	160
01-4324-2-640	TS Solid Fill Disposal	0	600	600	600
01-4324-2-660	TS Skid Steer	0	0	0	0
	Total Solid Waste - Transfer Station	**135,478**	**138,479**	**153,127**	**153,667**
Landfill					
01-4325-1-100	LF Monitoring Wells	8,713	12,200	10,760	10,760
01-4325-1-110	LF Cap Maint	1,495	2,500	1,600	1,600
	Total Landfill	**10,208**	**14,700**	**12,360**	**12,360**
	Total Highway, Streets, Bridges & Sanitation	**580,616**	**609,480**	**628,938**	**575,528**

Health and Welfare
Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Animal Control					
01-4414-1-110	ACO Salaries	33	0	0	0
01-4414-1-220	ACO FICA/Medicare	2	0	0	0
01-4414-1-260	ACO Workers Comp	0	0	0	0
01-4414-1-341	ACO Telephone	0	0	0	0
01-4414-1-390	ACO Vet Services	159	0	0	0
01-4414-1-392	ACO Kennel Fees	0	0	0	0
01-4414-1-394	ACO Animal Rescue League	0	0	0	0
01-4414-1-620	ACO Office Supplies	0	0	0	0
01-4414-1-691	ACO Travel	0	0	0	0
01-4414-1-990	Animal Control Expense	0	1,000	1,000	1,000
	Total Animal Control	**194**	**1,000**	**1,000**	**1,000**
Other Health					
01-4419-1-349	WR Grt Derry Transport Council	0	0	0	0
01-4419-1-350	WR American Red Cross	397	450	500	500
01-4419-1-351	WR Center for Life Management	4500	4,500	4,500	4,500
01-4419-1-352	WR Hospice & VNA	5520	5,520	5,520	5,520
01-4419-1-353	WR Haven of Hope Shelter	0	0	0	0
01-4419-1-354	WR Caregivers Program	2250	2,250	2,250	2,250
01-4419-1-355	WR Sexual Assault Services	1000	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4419-1-356	WR A Safe Place	800	800	1,000	1,000
01-4419-1-357	WR Retired Senior Vol Program	100	100	125	125
01-4419-1-358	WR Son Shine Soup Kitchen	700	700	700	700
01-4419-1-359	WR Aids Response Seacoast	500	500	500	500
01-4419-1-360	WR Rockingham Cty Adult Tutur	0	100	0	0
01-4419-1-361	WR Seacoast Child Advocacy	100	100	500	500
01-4419-1-362	WR Regional Transit -CART	-	0	4,500	4,500
New Line	WR Community Health Services		0	2,000	2,000
01-4419-1-362	WR Regional Transit	2375	4,280	0	0
	Total Other Health	**18,242**	**20,300**	**23,095**	**23,095**
Welfare-Direct Assistance					
01-4442-1-150	GA Burial Allotment	750	750	750	750
01-4442-1-341	GA Telephone	163	400	450	450
01-4442-1-350	GA Medical	238	720	1882	1882
01-4442-1-410	GA Electricity	1,781	1,280	5150	5150
01-4442-1-411	GA Fuel	1,950	2,200	2310	2310
01-4442-1-415	GA Food	215	600	525	525
01-4442-1-440	GA Rent	7,019	6,550	16630	16630
01-4442-1-690	GA Miscellaneous	135	500	250	250
	Total Welfare-Direct Assistance	**12,251**	**13,000**	**27,947**	**27,947**
Welfare-Intergovernmental Payments					
01-4444-1-100	WR IG Cap	3,352	3,527	3,712	3,712
01-4444-1-200	WR IG Meals on Wheels	418	493	503	503
	Total Welfare-Intergovernmental Payments	**3,770**	**4,020**	**4,215**	**4,215**
	Total Health & Welfare	**34,457**	**38,320**	**56,257**	**56,257**

Culture and Recreation
Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Parks & Recreation					
01-4520-1-110	REC Salaries	18997	18,670	19,604	19,604
01-4520-1-120	Rec. Summer Wages	14988	15,000	15,000	15,000
01-4520-1-341	REC Telephone	2371	2,165	2,165	2,165
01-4520-1-390	REC Contract Services	0		0	0
01-4520-1-410	REC Electricity	1327	1,400	1,540	1,540
01-4520-1-430	REC Maint & Repairs - Building	187	1	1	1
01-4520-1-570	REC Trash Removal	2545	2,173	2,173	2,173
01-4520-1-571	REC Portables	2347	2,128	2,128	2,128
01-4520-1-622	REC Supplies & Equip	1577	2,500	2,500	2,500
01-4520-1-626	REC Program Supplies	197		0	0
01-4520-1-730	REC Improv/Add - Buildings	1987	2,500	1	1
01-4520-1-750	REC Wason Pond Development		0		
01-4520-1-760	REC Athletic Fields	713	2,000	4,500	4,500
New Line	REC AEDs			0	0
01-4520-1-900	REC Seniors Programs	0	2,700	2,700	2,700
	Total Parks & Recreation	**47,236**	**51,237**	**52,312**	**52,312**
Wason Pond					
01-4530-1-430	WP Repairs & Maint	4,068	1	1	1
01-4530-1-570	WP Trash Removal	204	1	1	1
01-4530-1-620	WP Supplies	100	200	200	200
01-4530-1-621	WP Contract Services	0	500	500	500
01-4530-1-623	WP Signs	53	100	100	100
01-4530-1-650	WP Groundskeeping	272	1	1	1
01-4530-1-655	WP Playground	0	500	750	750
NEW LINE	WP Portable Toilet/Playground	0		725	725
01-4530-1-750	WP Fire Prevention System	0	0	0	0
	Total Wason Pond	**4,697**	**1,303**	**2,278**	**2,278**
W.P. Community Center					
01-4530-1-431	WP Electricity Community Center	949	1,300	1,430	1,430
01-4530-1-432	WP Heat/Oil Community Center	1,270	2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4530-1-433	WP Telephone/Internet Communit	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
01-4530-1-434	WP Custodial Community Center		0	0	0
	Wason Pond Community Center	**3,219**	**4,300**	**4,430**	**4,430**
Wason Pond Store/Garage					
01-4535-1-110	CA Salary		0	0	0
01-4535-1-430	CA Repairs & Maint	723	0	0	0
01-4535-1-431	CA Electricity	254	900	500	500
	Total Wason Pond Caretaker Cottage	**977**	**900**	**500**	**500**
Wason Pond Bath House					
01-4540-1-430	BH Repairs & Maint	439	0	0	0
01-4540-1-431	BH Electricity	729	610	400	400
	Total Wason Pond Bath House/Store/Garage	**1,168**	**610**	**400**	**400**
Wason Pond Advisory Commission					
01-4541-1-430	**WPAC Dam Maintenance**		1	1	1
01-4541-1-431	**WPAC Recreation Development**		1	1	1
01-4541-1-432	**WPAC Conservation Devel.**		2,000	2,000	2,000
01-4541-1-433	**WPAC Cultural Resources**		400	1	1
01-4541-1-434	**WPAC Scenic Resources**		400	1	1
01-4541-1-435	**WPAC Public Safty Emer. Res.**		1	1	1
01-4541-1-436	**WPAC Miscellaneous**	34	250	250	250
01-4541-1-437	**WPAC Utility Decommissioning**		100	500	500
	Total Wason Pond Advisory Commission	**34**	**3,153**	**2,755**	**2,755**
	Total Wason Pond	**10,096**	**10,266**	**10,363**	**10,363**

Culture and Recreation
Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Chester Public Library					
01-4550-1-100	LIB Chester Public Library	94,772	95,800	95,800	86,929
	Total Chester Public Library	**94,772**	**95,800**	**95,800**	**86,929**
Patriotic Purposes					
01-4583-1-600	PAT American Legion	0	150	150	150
	Total Patriotic Purposes	**0**	**150**	**150**	**150**
Historical Society					
01-4584-1-100	HS Telephone	455	250	250	250
	Total Historical Society	**455**	**250**	**250**	**250**
Public Access Television					
01-4585-1-341	CTV-21 Telephone	394	540	425	425
01-4585-1-410	CTV-21 Electricity/Heat	776	1,100	920	920
	Total Public Access Television	**1,171**	**1,640**	**1,345**	**1,345**
Chester Senior Citizens					
01-4586-1-100	SR Chester Senior Citizens	5,000	7,500	7,500	7,500
01-4586-1-300	SR Wellness Grant Expense	2,500		0	0
	Total Chester Senior Citizens	**7,500**	**7,500**	**7,500**	**7,500**
Town Fair Fireworks					
01-4587-1-100	Town Fair Fireworks	6,500	6,800	6,800	6,800
	Town Fair Fireworks	**6,500**	**6,800**	**6,800**	**6,800**
	Total Culture & Recreation	**167,730**	**173,643**	**174,520**	**165,649**

Conservation and Economic Development
Actual and Budgeted Expenses and Encumbrances

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Conservation & Economic Development					
01-4610-1-100	SHF Spring Hill Farm		1	1	1
01-4619-1-110	CONS Admin Salaries		1,080	1 134	1,134
01-4619-1-550	CONS Printing		250	250	250
01-4619-1-560	CONS Dues Seminars	225	200	200	200
01-4619-1-625	CONS Postage		250	250	250
01-4619-1-690	CONS Miscellaneous	31	500	100	100
01-4619-1-695	CONS Contracted Services		1,500	1,000	1,000
01-4619-1-700	CONS Exeter River Watershed	150	300	300	300
01-4619-1-750	CONS Rockingham Land Trust	50	50	50	50
01-4619-1-775	CONS National Resource Inv Prm		0	1	1
01-4619-1-800	CONS Wason Pond	2,500	1	1	1
01-4619-1-901	CONS Easement Monitoring	2,160	3 000	1	1
01-4619-1-905	CONS Wetland Evaluations		0	1,500	1,500
01-4619-1-910	CONS GPS Topos and Comp		0	1	1
Total Conservation & Economic Development		**5,116**	**7,132**	**4,789**	**4,789**

Debt Service
Actual and Budgeted
Expenses and Encumbrances

Account Number	Account Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Approved	2009-2010 BOS Recommended	2009-2010 BC Recommended
Principal Long Term Notes					
01-4711-1-100	PRINCIPAL-TAN	0	1	1	1
01-4711-1-200	PRINCIPAL-Fire Truck Lease	41,466	43,549	1	1
01-4711-1-300	PRINCIPAL - Landfill	119,533	0	0	0
01-4711-1-400	PRINCIPAL - Fire Station	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
01-4711-1-500	PRINCIPAL - Conservation	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000
01-4711-1-600	PRINCIPAL - Road Bond	210,000	210,000	210,000	210,000
01-4711-1-700	Principal on Dump Truck	15,932	16,593	17,282	17,282
	Total Principal Long Term Notes	**711,931**	**595,143**	**552,284**	**552,284**
Bond Interest					
01-4721-1-200	INTEREST - Fire Truck Lease	4,271	2,188	1	1
01-4721-1-300	INTEREST - Landfill	3,150	0	0	0
01-4721-1-400	INTEREST - Fire Station	14,219	13,031	11,844	11,844
01-4721-1-500	INTEREST - Conservation	60,375	49,125	37,125	37,125
01-4721-1-600	INTEREST - Road Bond	48,930	42,630	36,330	36,330
01-4721-1-700	INTEREST-Dump Truck	2,067	1,406	717	717
	Total Bond Interest	**133,011**	**108,380**	**86,017**	**86,017**
Debt Interest - TAN's					
01-4723-1-100	INTEREST - Tan		1	1	1
	Debt Interest - TAN's		**1**	**1**	**1**
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE					
	Total Debt Service	**844,942**	**703,524**	**638,302**	**638,302**

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BUDGET OF THE TOWN
WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

CHESTER , NEW HAMPSHIRE

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, _____to December 31, _____

or Fiscal Year From _____July 1, 2009_____to____June 30, 2010_____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.

2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.

3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): April 21, 2009

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

John Garvey

Gary Chesney

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
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	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		FY 2007-2008	FY 2007-2008	FY 2009-2010	XXXXXXXXX	FY 2009-2010	XXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		133,753	93,249	105,741		97,769	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics		66,309	49,723	61,955		61,955	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		172,388	180,389	165,096		164,794	
4152	Revaluation of Property		71,517	66,487	66,978		66,978	
4153	Legal Expense		65,000	39,098	65,000		50,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		327,612	287,188	387,877		329,833	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		65,165	59,258	59,528		57,805	
4194	General Government Buildings		184,158	209,843	185,289		185,289	
4195	Cemeteries		3,450	10,171	15,219		15,219	
4196	Insurance		60,303	50,923	61,965		60,294	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		6,309	6,283	6,312		6,312	
4199	Other General Government							
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		301,590	303,813	417,939		319,239	
4215-4219	Ambulance		45,000	45,000	46,000		46,000	
4220-4229	Fire		222,083	225,507	242,884		228,624	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		61,228	53,849	42,003		42,353	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		100	0	1,000		1,000	
4299	Other (Including Communications)		6,000	5,379	6,000		6,000	
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations							
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration							
4312	Highways & Streets		342,798	431,984	461,251		406,501	
4313	Bridges							

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	HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.		FY 2007-2008	FY 2007-2008	FY 2009-2010	XXXXXXXXX	FY 2009-2010	XXXXXXXXX
4316	Street Lighting		1,400	2,947	2,200		3,000	
4319	Other							
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration							
4323	Solid Waste Collection							
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		138,338	135,478	153,127		153,667	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up		15,200	10,208	12,360		12,360	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other							
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services							
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other							
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
	HEALTH/WELFARE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration							
4414	Pest Control		1,050	194	1,000		1,000	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		18,342	18,242	23,095		23,095	
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		13,000	12,251	27,947		27,947	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts		3,770	3,770	4,215		4,215	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							

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	CULTURE & RECREATION		FY 2007-2008	FY 2007-2008	FY 2009-2010	XXXXXXXXX	FY 2009-2010	XXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		60,888	58,503	84,020		64,020	
4550-4559	Library		94,772	94,772	95,800		86,929	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		6,650	6,500	6,950		6,950	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		5,250	7,955	7,750		7,750	
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources							
4619	Other Conservation		7,653	5,116	4,789		4,789	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING							
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		711,931	711,931	552,284		552,284	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		137,462	133,011	86,017		86,017	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		1		1		1	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.		163,628	49,037				
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund			1,490				
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer-							
	Water-							

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OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT cont.			FY 2007-2008	FY 2007-2008	FY 2009-2010	XXXXXXXXX	FY 2009-2010	XXXXXXXXX
	Electric-							
	Airport-							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund *							
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917 *							
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds *							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Fiduciary Funds							
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL			3,504,098	3,349,549	3,439,589		3,179,989	

* Use special warrant article section on next page.

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditurea Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENOEO)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Road Bond	4			1,400,000			1,400,000
	Well at Wason Pond	5			21,708		21,708	
	Rescue Truck	6			0			0
	New Police Officer	7			67,121		67,121	
	Second New Police Officer	8			67,121			87,121
	Fire Dept Generator	10			39,000		39,000	
	Municipal Bldg Generator	11			50,000		50,000	
	Wason Pond Dam Repair	12			292,000			292,000
	Police Cruiser	13			33,000		33,000	
	5 Automated External Devices	14			10,202		10,202	
	Tractor for Highway Dept	15				95,000		95,000
	Culvert Replacement	16				400,000		400,000
	Revaluation Capital Reserve	17			25,000		25,000	
	North Pond/102 Capital Reserve	18			10,000			10,000
	Recreation Capital Reserve	19			1			1
	Road Improvement Cap Reserve	20			10,000			10,000
	PACT Fund	22			5,645		5,845	
	Boiler Repalcement	23			40,000		40,000	
SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	2,070,996	XXXXXXXXX	291,676	XXXXXXXXX

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Highway Block Grant	21			109,169			109,169
INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	109,189	XXXXXXXXX	0	XXXXXXXXX

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	TAXES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		5,000	15,472	15,472
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		39,000	63,807	63,805
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax ($.02 cents per cu yd)			594	592
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		1,000	630	700
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		700,700	810,346	800,700
3230	Building Permits		38,886	39,715	22,530
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		5,860	7,819	7,750
3311-3319	**FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**	7,8		28,965	63,921
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		22,780	22,780	22,780
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		200,000	195,929	200,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		110,000	108,774	109,169
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	5	19,130	29,767	3,500
3379	**FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS**	14			5,101
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		25,430	36,759	17,750
3409	Other Charges				
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property				
3502	Interest on Investments		101,700	66,751	19,000
3503-3509	Other	10,25	43,260	32,319	68,249
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	22	1,200	347	5,845
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont.		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	10,13			34,000
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds		17,400		
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes	5	1,430,000		17,875
	Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")	23	68,500		40,000
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
	TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS		2,828,646	1,460,776	1,518,739

BUDGET SUMMARY

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)		3,439,589	3,179,989
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)		2,070,998	291,876
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)		109,169	0
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended		5,619,756	3,471,865
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)		2,982,569	1,518,739
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised		2,637,187	1,953,126

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: _____ 281,569
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

(For Calculating 10% Maximum Increase)

(RSA 32:18, 19, & 32:21)

VERSION #1: Use if you have no Collective Bargaining Cost Items or RSA 32:21 Water Costs

LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: Chester FISCAL YEAR END 6/30/2010

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
1. Total **RECOMMENDED** by Budget Comm. (See Posted Budget MS7, 27, or 37)	$ 3,471,865
LESS EXCLUSIONS:	552,284
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	86,018
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds &Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b.	17,875
5. Mandatory Assessments	
6. Total exclusions (Sum of rows 2 - 5)	< 656,177>
7. Amount recommended less recommended exclusion amounts (line 1 less line 6)	2,815,688
8. Line 7 times 10%	281,569
9. Maximum Allowable Appropriations (lines 1 + 8)	$ 3,753,434

Line 8 is the maximum allowable increase to budget committee's recommended budget. Please enter this amount on the bottom of the posted budget form, MS7, 27, or 37.

Please attach a copy of this completed supplemental schedule to the back of the budget form.

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Ambulance, Fire, Police Emergency - Dial 911

Assessing Department **887-4045**
M-F 9-3 PM
Jean Packard and Scott Marsh

Budget Committee **887-0321**
Rhonda Lamphere, Chair

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer **887-5552**
Tu. & Sat. 8-4 PM
Thomas J. Malley
email: chesterbi@gsinet.net

Cable TV 21 **887-2288**
Richard (Dick) Godfrey

Cemeteries **887-4979**
(see also "Great Hill")
Village Cemetery
No. Chester Cemetery
Raymond, Fremont Rd. & Others
Steve Child, Chair

Chester Historical Society
Hilary Hall, President **887-4545**
email: chesterhistorical@yahoo.com

Chester Kitchen **887-4979**
email: chesterkitchen@yahoo.com

Chester Community Food Pantry
Mary Hamblett, Coordinator **437-3813**
Linda Noyes, Asst. Coord. **887-3291**

Chester Seniors **887-5034**
M-F 10-4 PM

Conservation Comm. **887-3719**
Charles Myette, Chair

Emergency Mgmt. **887-5790**
Stephen Tunberg, Director

Exeter River Local Advisory **778-0885**

Finance Office **887-4980**
Angela Sherwood, Fin. Dir. **887-4277**
email: chesterfindir@gsinet.net

Fire Department **887-3878**
M-F 7:30-6 PM
Sa.Su. 5-6 PM
Richard Antoine, Fire Chief
email: antoine@firehousemail.com
Duty Officer **365-7184**

Fire Warden **887-3878**
Richard Antoine
Deputy Fire Wardens:
Mike Wilinsky & Greg Bolduc

Food Pantry - See "Chester Community Food Pantry"

Great Hill Cemetery **887-3740**
Clifford Millsaps, Chair

Health Officer **887-3546**
Darrell F. Quinn
email: dfq@gsinet.net

Highway Dept. **887-2133**
Mike Oleson, Road Agent

Highway Safety **887-2080**
Police Chief William Burke

Historical Society - See "Chester Historical Society"

Joint Loss Mgmt. Committee **887-4979**

Ambulance, Fire, Police Emergency - Dial 911

Library **887-3404**
M. & W. 3-8 PM
Tu. & Th. 10-8 PM
Fri. 1-5 PM, Sat. 10-12 Noon
Sunday *Closed*

Multi-Purpose Rm.
Reservations **887-5773**

No. Chester Cemetery **887-4979**
Steve Child, Chair

Planning Board **887-5629**
Cynthia Robinson, Coordinator
email: chstrpl@gsinet.net

Police Dept. **Office: 887-2080**
Dispatch: 887-3229
William Burke, Police Chief

Public Access Community TV **887-2288**

Recreation Dept. **887-5773**
Office Hours: T,Th. 2-6 PM
Steve Moltenbrey, Coordinator
email: chesterrec@gsinet.net

Road Name Advisory Committee **887-3271**
Camilla Lockwood

Rockingham County Sheriff's Office **679-2241**

Selectmen's Office **887-4979**
Patricia Martin, Admin. Asst.
email: chesterbos@gsinet.net

Seniors - See "Chester Seniors"

Spring Hill Farm **887-1030**
Brad Wamsley, Chair

Stevens Memorial Hall
Reservations **887-5773**

Supervisors of the Checklist
Barbara Hatch, Chair **887-4344**
(see also "Town Clerk")

Tax Collector/ Town Clerk **887-3636**
M.W.Th.F. 8-12:30 PM
Tues. 8-12:00 & 12:30-3:30 PM
Barbara L. Gagnon
Linda Mansur, Deputy
email: chester9@gsinet.net

Transfer Station **365-8245**
Wed 6 PM-8 PM
Sat 7:00 AM-2:00 PM
Bonnie Healey and Lloyd Healey

Treasurer **887-4979**
Donald Parnell

Tree Warden **887-5629**
Cynthia J. Robinson
email: treestump013@aol.com

Village Cemetery (see "Cemeteries")

Wason Pond Comm.
Baron Richardson **887-4979**
Wason Pond Caretaker: **887-5773**

Welfare Dept. **887-4979**

Zoning Board of Adj. **887-4343**
W&F 8:30-12:30 PM
Janet Boyden, Admin. Assist.

Stevens Memorial Hall - 1910

Remember, next year is the 100th Anniversary of Stevens Memorial Hall. If you would like to participate in the planning and preparation of this celebration, please contact the Selectmen's Office at any of the following:

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